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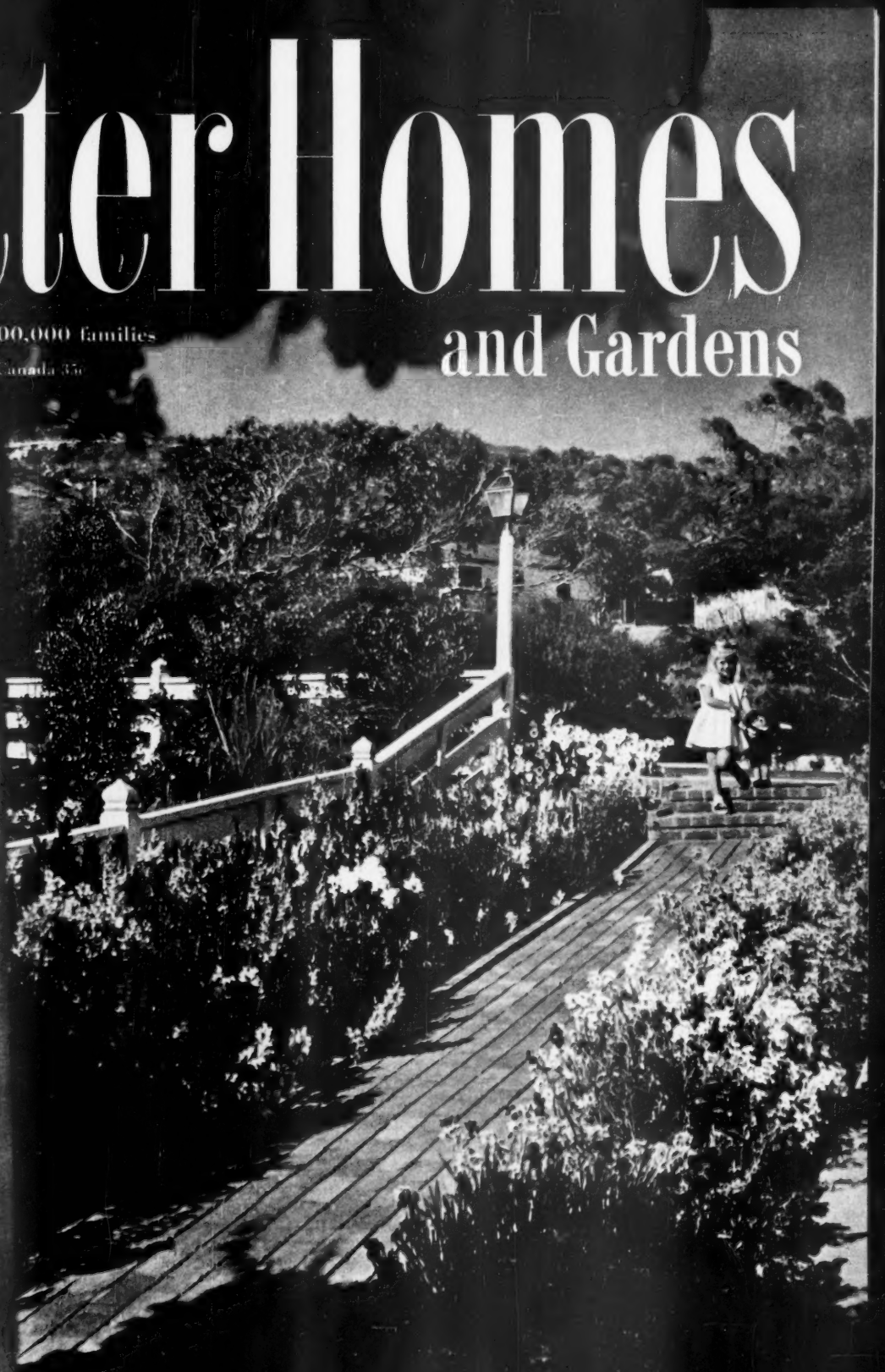

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Before: Even with brush cleared and earth partly leveled, the area didn't look promising. It took 1,750 yards of loam to cover rocks exposed during this work

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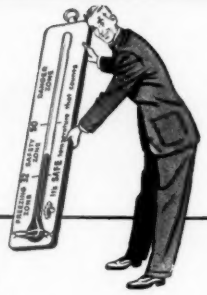

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Norwich remembers with roses

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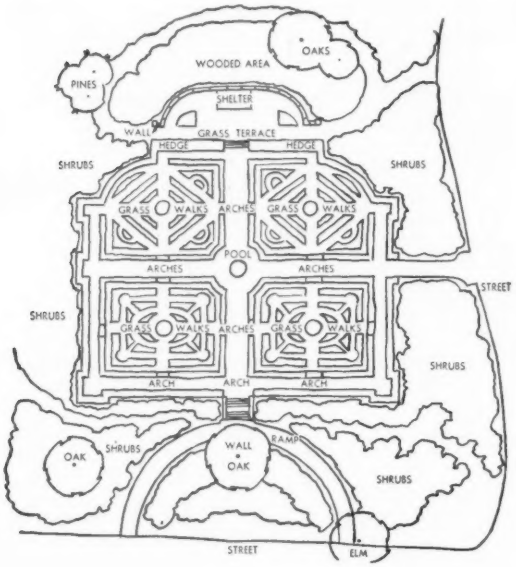
Initiative came from the Norwich Rotary Club, which sponsored the project and got people interested.

After that, enthusiasm came naturally. The city donated two acres of park, cleared and leveled it, and laid water pipe. Private citizens, nurseries, and other firms gave rosebushes, fence posts, steps, seats, trellises, and labor. One farmer brought a large load of manure. Said he: "I can't give money to buy roses, but I can give something to make them grow."

Today 3,200 rosebushes bloom in the garden. The project had an extra dividend. Private citizens seized on the theme, "Grow a Rose for the Rose of New England," and planted another 5,000 rosebushes in home gardens.

Although Norwich won a $1,000 More Beautiful America prize, it learned that a beautiful city is its own reward. As the sponsors put it: "Whether we win or not, we have all enjoyed making the city of Norwich more beautiful—and a better place in which to live."



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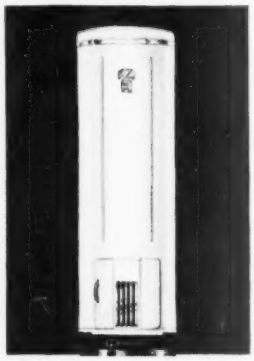

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When a house is built, construction never goes at an even pace. Sometimes work goes so fast you feel sure you can move in two weeks later. That's when the basement or slab is finished and the house is being framed. At other times work seems to creep along, particularly in the final stages.

No phase of home construction gives you more satisfaction, though, than seeing the framework concealed by the finished wall—the exterior that the world will see. That phase is covered here in pictures. Work goes slowly, but it goes carefully. It must, because the protection from weather you get depends entirely on the exterior finishing job the carpenters and masons do on your home.

Roof sheathing. Over the roof framing clear, knotless, one-inch boards are laid horizontally. This sheathing acts as a base to which shingles are attached. Most shingles require solid sheathing; wood shingles, which need air to dry after rains, are laid on shingle lath instead of boards. This lath is one or two inches wide; an equally wide space is left between laths. Men shown here are trimming the edges of roof sheathing with a portable power handsaw.

Fascia board. Years ago the space between roof sheathing and the top of the wall was left open to let air ventilate the attic. Today, to prevent wasps, bees, and other insects from entering too, fascia boards are nailed around the house, tight against the ends of rafters and ceiling joists. Screened louvers provide attic ventilation. Be sure you keep ventilators clean, and don't store things in front of them to block air passage. Picture above shows both fascia and louver.

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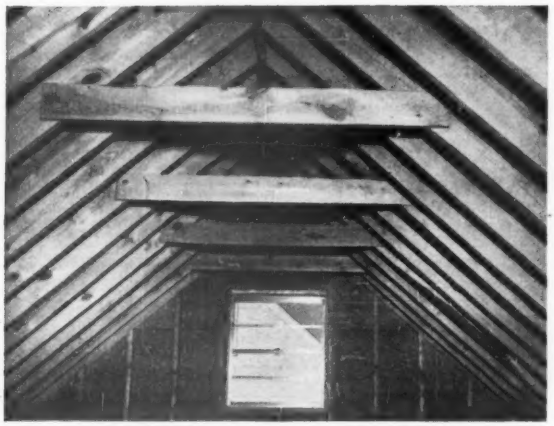
By Groff Conklin



Collar beams. Well-built hip roofs don't always require bracing across pairs of rafters. Cross bracing is necessary, however, with a gable roof composed solely of ridgepole and rafters. These braces are called collar beams. The lower the pitch of your roof, the more numerous must be the collar beams, to keep the roof framing rigid. Under the moderately pitched roof shown, braces were used only every third rafter. A lower roof would require considerably stronger bracing.

Waterproofing. A covering of heavy tar paper, generously overlapped at each strip, is laid over sheathing and nailed in place with zinc-coated and corrosion-resistant nails. Strips are applied from eaves upward, so overlap will provide an effective moisture barrier.

Shingles. Like the tar paper under them, shingles are laid upward from the eave toward the ridge. Each shingle overlaps the shingle beneath it to provide a double layer of shingles at all points. This technique provides covering for all nails.

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Valley flashing. One spot vulnerable to water is the joint where two roof surfaces meet. Extra protection is required to withstand the force of the water. For this, flashing—copper, aluminum, or asphalt strips—is laid in the valley and tucked underneath the shingles.

Vent flashing. Spots where vents project through your roof must also be well protected against rain. Collars of copper, zinc, and aluminum are slipped over vents, nailed to the roof, and the joints between collars and vents are tightly calked with a waterproof mastic.

Pointing and striking. When you lay brick in a chimney or an exterior wall, joints between bricks must be full of mortar and tight. If spaces are left, rain will force its way through the crevices and leave damp spots on your walls. Go over joints with a pointing tool (left), applying extra mortar wherever you find holes. Then, with a striking tool (right), press mortar firmly into joints to insure watertightness. Appearance of your wall depends much on neatness of mortar joints.

Framing the clearance around chimney. You need at least two inches of air space between a chimney and any wood framing member. If you frame joists directly into a brick chimney, you stand a good chance of having your house go up in smoke some cold day. Only fireproof materials—metal, concrete, asbestos board, plaster—should ever be permitted to touch a chimney.

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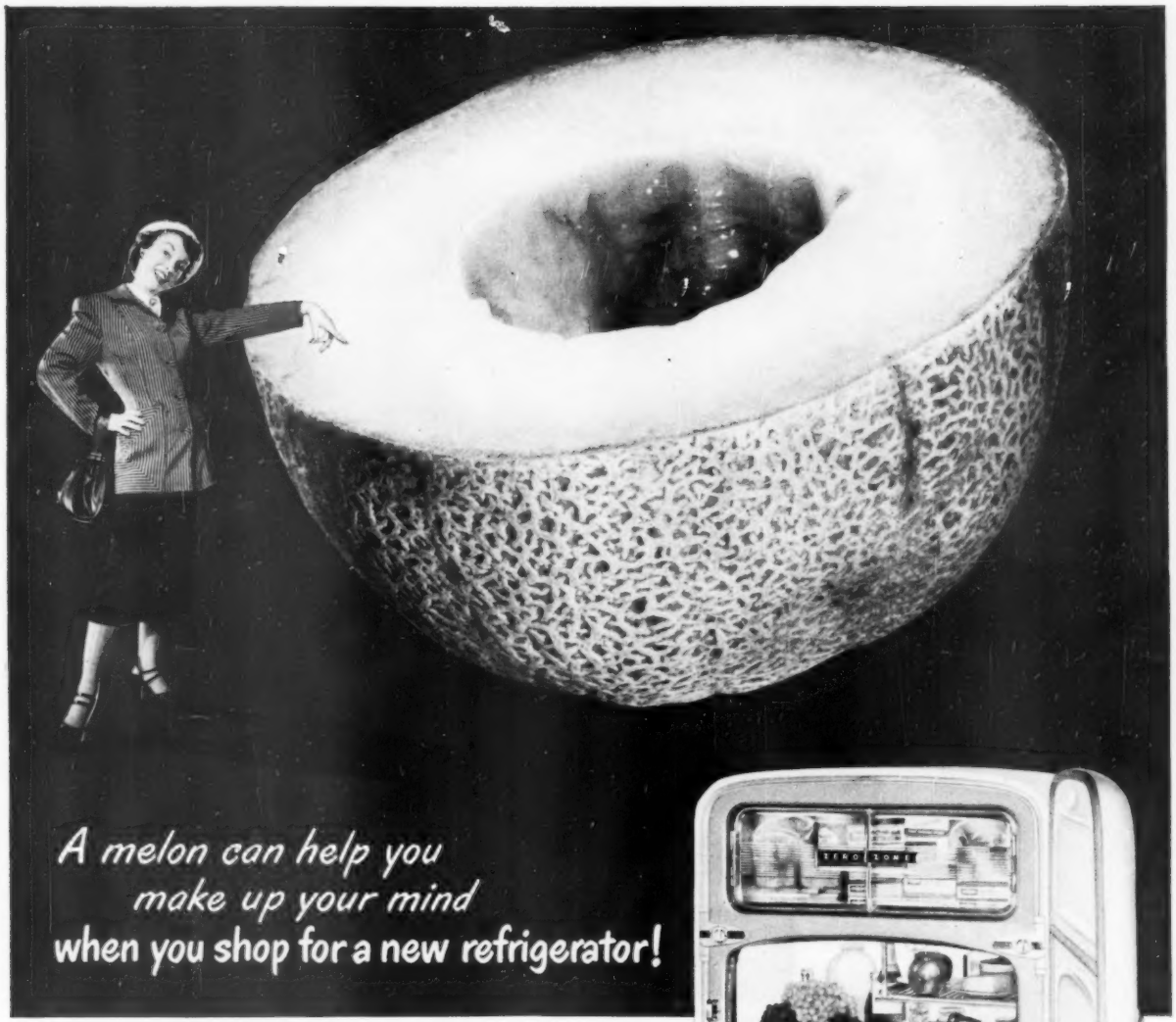

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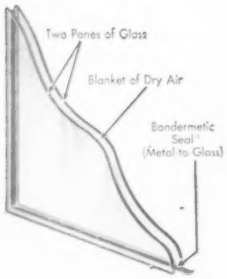

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Flue tile. Under extreme heat, ordinary bricks will dry out and crumble. A well-built chimney flue, therefore, should be lined with fireclay tiles. Surrounding each tile should be as many inches of brick, brickbats, and mortar as chimney dimensions permit. Minimum size for a chimney with a single flue is 24 inches square, but you'll have a better-looking house if your chimney is larger.

Chimney height. For two reasons a chimney must be at least two feet higher than the highest roof ridge: to avoid danger of fire on the roof, and to make the chimney draw well. Chimney shown is not being built by poor masons; they are scintling—laying brick so it will have a very rough texture to contrast with a smooth roof.

Chimney cricket. Wherever a chimney protrudes through roof, joint must be watertight. Flashing strips laid between bricks at roof level and nailed under shingles will waterproof sides and lower edge of chimney. But where roof rises above its upper edge, as shown, a special flashing called a cricket must be built. Crickets shed rain to sides of the chimney.

Diagonal sheathing. In frame houses outer walls must have strong and weathertight sheathing. Best practice is to lay boards diagonally and nail them to each stud. Diagonal boarding adds strength to a wall and helps the studs to resist the tendency to warp and shrink—just as diagonal subflooring strengthens a floor.

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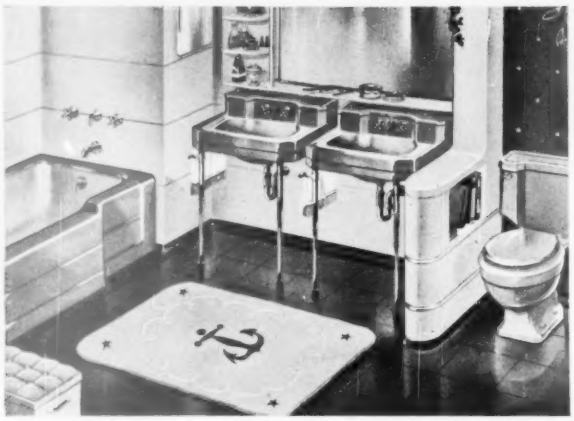

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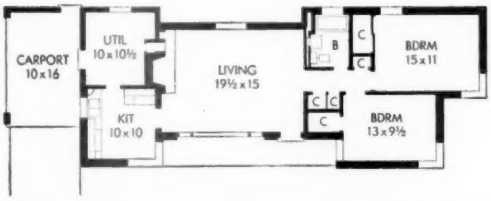
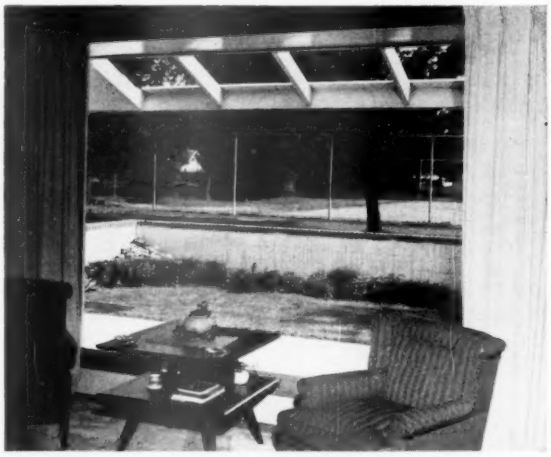
Like the Barbours, you can build a

House that's cool





Picture window gives Barbours a refreshing view of a playground and park across the street. The low, brick-capped wall hides the street from view, frames the lawn and plantings. Part of overhang above the window is unroofed; its structural framing provides a trellis pattern

This photograph was taken on a hot August day. It shows how the overhang of the Barbour house keeps the sun off window areas and most of the walls. The tile roof and stone walls reflect most of the sun's rays. Break in overhang above the picture window lets the low winter sun help warm the living room

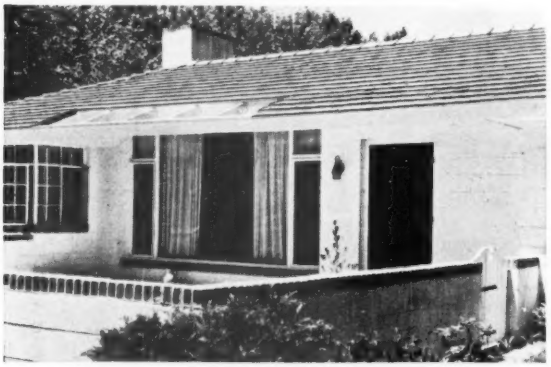
all summer

By Mort Reed, Jr.

Winfield, Kansas, like many another community, has a summer sun to be reckoned with. The annual temperature range is 120 degrees—and you have to plan to avoid the heat.

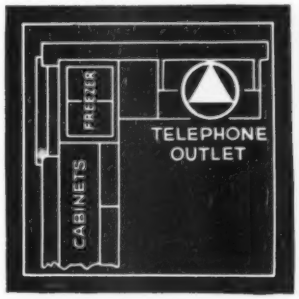
Architect William Caton did just such planning when he designed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Barbour. To keep the house comfortable from June to October, he used three devices:

Insulating materials. The Barbour house is built of pumice blocks, with horizontal [*Turn to page 124*



Pumice blocks used in walls of Barbour house offer good insulation from the Kansas sun. To make them attractive, vertical joints were filled until the mortar was flush with the blocks. The horizontal joints were raked deep enough so sun casts a pronounced shadow line (lower left)

"THE INSIDE STORY" about telephone wires



HERE's the real secret of good telephone planning for your new home. Make sure that provisions are made for running telephone wires inside the walls. This way, you'll protect the beauty of fine walls and woodwork.

Simply mark on your plans the places where you'll want telephones. Then, while your home is being built, your builder can place a few lengths of pipe or tubing inside the walls, leading to the outlets. When telephones are installed, the wires are run through these raceways. Result: neat, efficient telephone arrangements without exposed wires.

You can find out all about this important home feature by calling your local Bell Telephone Business Office and asking for "Architects and Builders Service."

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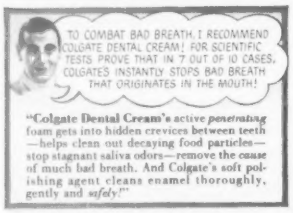

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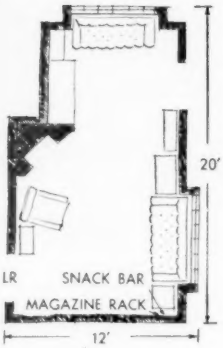
A fireplace, a snack bar, and a music corner made this

A family's favorite room

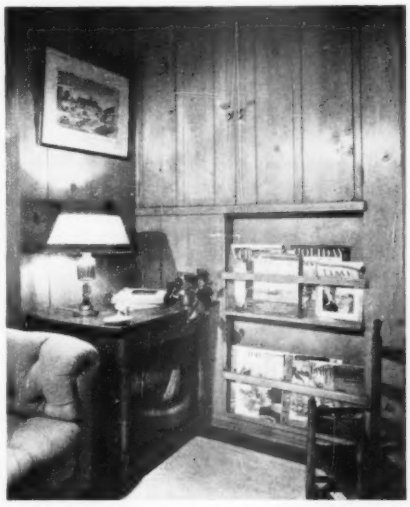
By Louise Brindley



Corner fireplace is a spacesaver that uses living-room fireplace flue inside the wall. Shallow bay window accommodates sofa, conserves space

Here's a room that became a family favorite because it has a corner fireplace, a built-in radio-phonograph, a concealed snack bar, and compact storage for books, for record albums, and for magazines.

It was a seldom-used room until Mrs. Harry Mann, West Los Angeles, California, decided that something could be done with it. The brickwork that formed the rear of the living-room fireplace filled most of one wall, and the floor area was small. On the advice of decorators Bob Anderson and Brian Barlow, Mrs. Mann had shallow recesses built for two sofas to gain more floor space. By attention to details she achieved the simple charm that is evident in this room. An adjoining terrace helps make this room a year-around favorite.



Snack bar that adjoins kitchen is concealed behind paneled doors, does not detract from intimate atmosphere of the room, is handy for family's buffet suppers. Recessed magazine rack is another of the room's clever spacesavers

Radio-phonograph in a pine, lift-lid cabinet is in keeping with the style of the room. Brick was left uncovered to contrast with paneled walls. Shelves for record albums hug the wall; book niche (at right) steals no floor space

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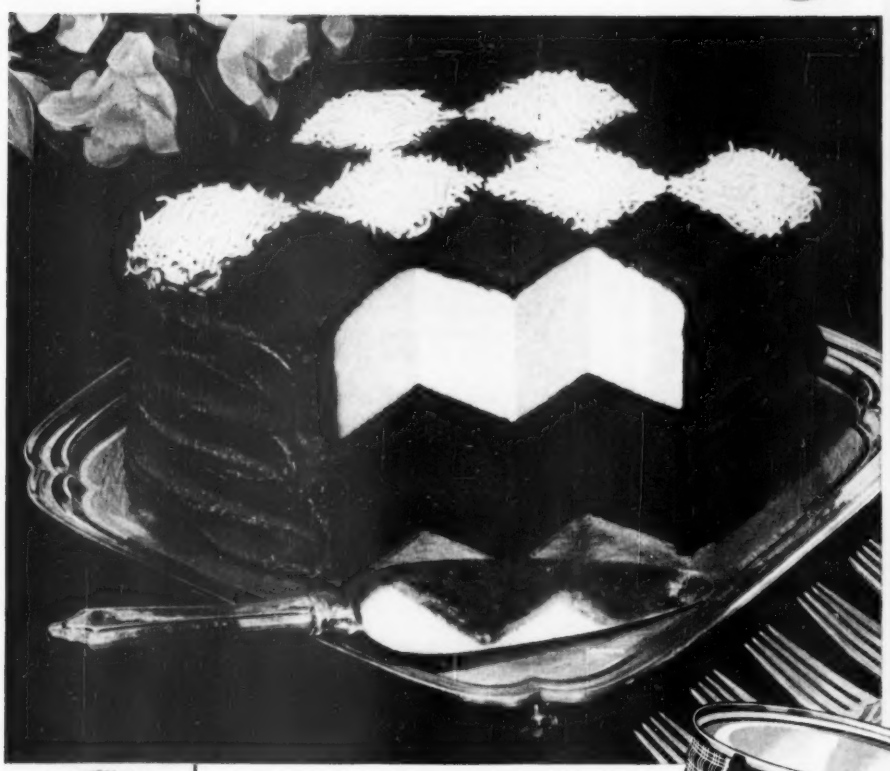

MARTHA LOGAN'S "HELPING HAND" RECIPE for

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With this recipe and wonderful Swift'ning, even a beginner can count on success. Little hands point out where mistakes might be made. Pure, snowy-white Swift'ning, with its own special quick-mix *ingredient, insures a cake that's heavenly light and moistly delicious.*

Preparation: *Have all ingredients at room temperature.* Pre-heat oven at 375°F. Line bottoms of two 9-inch square layer cake pans with waxed paper.

Ingredients: (Use standard, level measures)

- ½ cup Swift'ning
- 2½ cups sifted cake flour — *Be sure to sift before measuring. Spoon lightly into cup.*
- 4 tsp. double acting baking powder (3¼ if tartrate type)
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1½ cups sugar
- 1 cup milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 4 egg whites
- 2 sq. unsweetened chocolate, melted

Step 1: Put Swift'ning in bowl. Sift in flour, baking powder, salt and sugar. Add ½ cup of the milk, and vanilla. Beat 2 minutes on medium speed of electric mixer, or by hand using 150 strokes per minute. *Keep scraping batter off sides and bottom of mixer bowl with rubber scraper.* After two minutes, scrape beaters or spoon and mixing bowl thoroughly.

Step 2: Add unbeaten egg whites and remaining ½ cup milk. Beat for 2 additional minutes. Scrape bowl and beaters. Pour ½ of batter into one pan; add melted chocolate to remaining batter and pour into other pan. Bake about 28 minutes. *When cake is done, it will spring back quickly when pressed with fingers.* Cool on cake rack 5 minutes; loosen sides carefully with spatula, invert on rack, remove pans.

When thoroughly cool fill and frost with chocolate frosting, placing dark layer at the bottom. Mark top into squares and cover alternate squares with coconut.

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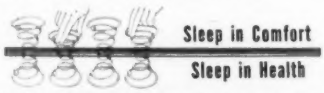

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Desserts, sweets

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Ready-to-use pie fillings: One manufacturer offers you cherry, blueberry, pineapple, and lemon fillings ready to pour into the pastry shell. One offers a red-raspberry filling; another packs apple slices sweetened and thickened. Others give you pumpkin-pie filling that takes no spice or sugar, only milk.

Soups, beverages

Oyster stew in the can tastes like fresh stew. You add equal quantity of milk; salt and pepper to your taste.

New soups in foreign flavors, offered by a man who's gathered recipes 'round the world, include chili-flavored Aztec bean soup from Mexico; Danish gule arter; Arabian chervah soup; Bavarian mushroom-barley soup; Odessa cucumber; Singapore mulligatawney, and others.

Fancy teas for discriminating tea tastes, formerly sold in only exclusive big-city shops, are now available by mail order to everyone. One company offers fragrant jasmine, smoky Lapsong Souchong, mild Ceylon, full-bodied Formosa Oolong, and English breakfast.

Main dishes, meats

Cheese rabbit or rarebit comes ready to pour out into saucepan. There's also a rabbit mix in powdered form; you just add water and heat. Serve rabbit over toast; as vegetable sauce; as flavoring in spaghetti, macaroni, or au gratin potatoes. Or, use it cold as a spread.

Lima-bean bake is a new canned treat. Giant Limas have been simmered in a brown-sugar syrup to produce an old-fashioned, home-baked flavor.

Frozen hamburgers may have hit your frying pan or broiler. If not, look in your grocer's freezing bin for them. Compact box holds 12 ounces of ground beef, shaped into four generous patties. Patties are separated by waxed-paper partitions to keep them from sticking together. Put frozen patties into cool skillet or broiler; cook 7 to 9 minutes, turning once.

Frozen chicken pie comes ready to pop into oven in paper baking and serving dish. Peas, carrots, potato cubes, and generous bites of chicken are topped with a tender crust. Frozen beef pie, onion flavored, is also available.

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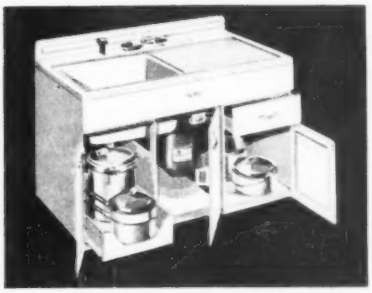

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HELP *for* HAY FEVER

Trimeton—latest anti-allergy drug—promises you a sneeze-free summer without "shots"

By Paul I. Murphy

A simple new drug called Trimeton (try'-me-ton) that alleviates hay fever, pollen asthma, hives, and other allergic conditions promises complete relief to millions of sufferers this summer.

Its effectiveness is reported in the *Annals of Allergy*, national publication of the American College of Allergists, by 12 Boston doctors who used it on patients in veterans hospitals, in clinics, and in private practice.

Trimeton comes as a tablet about the size and color of an aspirin tablet. It does away with injections. You merely swallow from a quarter of a tablet to a full tablet three or four times a day.

Two hundred twenty-seven patients were treated with the drug at the Boston Dispensary Allergy Clinic, where Trimeton was first tested and clinically evaluated. More than 90 percent of the hay fever sufferers and 80 percent of those with mild bronchial asthma and hives were free of all symptoms within an hour after treatment.

The results with Trimeton have been so convincing that Dr. Frederick J. Bailey, Deputy Health Commissioner of Boston, has ordered that it be used in the public schools of the city for pupils with hay fever, hives, and pollen asthma.

Dr. Dominic Papa and Dr. Nathan Sperber, who developed Trimeton in the laboratories of the Schering Corporation, New Jersey pharmaceutical manufacturer, report, also in the *Annals of Allergy*, that "Trimeton is 10 to 20 times more potent on hay fever and pollen asthma sufferers than any available drug used to control these allergies."

It also alleviated hives in 81 percent of the persons upon whom it was used, they say.

Dr. Irving W. Schiller and Dr. Francis C. Lowell, both of the allergy clinic at the Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Boston, confirmed the optimistic findings of Dr. Ethan Allan Brown, chief of the Boston Dispensary Allergy Clinic. They tried Trimeton [*Turn to page 149*

These beautiful walls cut building costs

This friendly room has walls and ceilings of Armstrong's Temlok® Interior Finish. Even with the charm this material adds, it actually makes the house cost less.

Armstrong's Temlok Interior Finish is a durable fiberboard with a smooth, textured surface. In new construction it is quickly nailed or stapled in place. That's all there is to it. In remodeling, Armstrong's Temlok may be cemented right over the old walls. No plastering, painting, or papering is necessary.

Doing away with so many operations saves both time and money. The house is ready weeks sooner. And because Temlok provides insulation, rooms are more comfortable.

Armstrong's Temlok Interior Finish comes in panels like those on this ceiling, planks like those on the walls, and in big boards for large wall areas. Temlok is factory finished in a soft ivory color. Ask your lumber dealer for details and samples of Armstrong's Temlok before you build or remodel your home.

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ARMSTRONG'S TEMLOK

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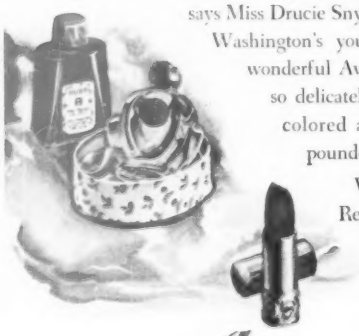
MISS DRUCIE SNYDER, of Washington and St. Louis, charming daughter of the Secretary of the United States Treasury. Portrait by Greta Kempton

"I welcomed Avon in Washington

...when the Avon Representative called at my home."



"I prefer to use Avon Cosmetics," says Miss Drucie Snyder, popular member of Washington's young social set. "These wonderful Avon beauty products are so delicately scented, so naturally colored and so carefully compounded."

When the friendly Avon Representative calls at your home, welcome her... for only through her can Avon Cosmetics be obtained.

Avon cosmetics

IN RADIO CITY, NEW YORK

It's NEWS to Me!

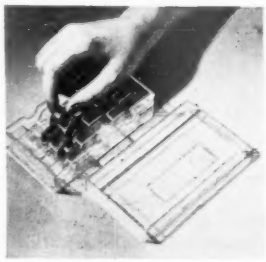
By Gretchen King

An adjustable stepladder gives you a firm foundation for working above porch steps, on inside stairways, or on other uneven surfaces. Back legs adjust separately from normal length of 5′ down to 3′ while steps and platform remain level. Solid wood construction, with heavy aluminum channel bar for extra strength, and steel braces. The *Stairway StepLadder*, 5-foot size, is $10.95, in stores or express charges collect from B. F. Pratt, c/o Cape Cod Ladder Mfg. Co., New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Skillet with a drain valve fries bacon crisp as can be, keeps excess fat from frying into any foods. When fat accumulates, hold skillet level over grease container and press the thumb lever. Fat drains off quickly, leaves food undisturbed. When you release lever, fat drainage shuts off instantly, with no dripping. Aluminum *Wonder-Fri Frying Pan*, 9″ across, has heat-resistant Bakelite handle and lever; $4.95, in stores or ppd. Hollis Company, 11 Commerce St., Newark 2, New Jersey.

Ventilate your kitchen with an exhaust fan that leads a double life. When not needed for exhaust purposes, it serves as a standard electric fan. Ventilating unit fastens on inner side of window frame, so doesn't interfere with opening or closing of window. During summer, snap the 10-inch fan out of its panel and set it on its three legs to make a cool breeze wherever you wish. Steel window panel adjusts from 24″ to 36½″ wide. *Westinghouse Double-Duty Kitchen Ventilator*, $29.95, at dealers. Westinghouse Electric Appliance Division, East Springfield, Massachusetts.

Look what you're doing! You can, if you've a transparent oilcan. Bottoms and spouts are tinned steel; bodies of the cans are durable transparent plastic in red, green, blue, or crystal. The small size *Scan-Can*, ½-ounce capacity, is 15c; larger size, 1-ounce, with curved spout, is 20c, in stores only. Eagle Manufacturing Company, Wellsburg, West Virginia.



Bobbins from your sewing machine are elusive little rascals when turned loose in a sewing box; but house them in their own plastic case and you can instantly pick out the one you want. There's a *Bobinbox* for either round or long bobbins; one holds 18 round bobbins, the other 12 long bobbins. A lid protects the thread from dust. *Bobinbox*, without bobbins, is $1, at sewing machine dealers. Reynolds Industries, 2105 Colorado Ave., Santa Monica, California.

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Is your family living in a wrong Color World?

Pittsburgh's Color Dynamics shows you how to banish drab surroundings—modernize your home with correct color arrangements that inspire and uplift you—bring new comfort and contentment into every room!

● Now you can be sure that your family enjoys all the benefits of living in the *right* world of color! By decorating your home according to the principles of COLOR DYNAMICS you can make it not only more interesting and attractive, inside and out, but also far more livable and comfortable.

COLOR DYNAMICS is used to emphasize the gracious proportions and special architectural features of this small house. (PHOTO BY HEDRICH—BLESSING)

A feeling of warm, friendly comfort is achieved in this smart, modern living room by applying the scientific principles of COLOR DYNAMICS. Harmonious arrangement of tones on walls and ceiling gives a pleasing effect of spaciousness. (PHOTO COURTESY BETTER HOMES & GARDENS)

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No wonder modern homemakers ask to see that Firestone *Velon* label before they buy any plastic film products. Department and variety stores carry dozens of decorative, protective home accessories in Firestone *Velon*. See the newest patterns, textures and colors, today.

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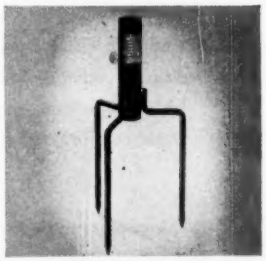
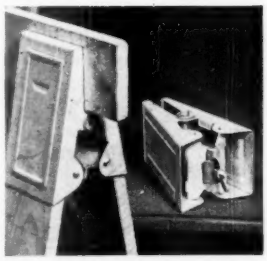
Automatic washer features a safety lid which, when lifted, instantly and automatically stops all action during any phase of the washing cycle. This makes for greater safety and lets you examine the results of the laundering. The unit is finished in white baked enamel with perforated inner tub of white porcelain enamel. A pilot light glows on the name plate as long as the machine is in action. Maytag Automatic Washer about $280, at dealers. Maytag Company, Newton, Iowa.



Lawn prongs insert in the ground to hold badminton or tennis net, lawn umbrella, or flagpole. The 8″ socket is equipped with thumbscrew tightener to fasten the pole inside it. *Lawn Prong*, green- or red-enameled steel, 1½″ diameter socket, $3.98 each; 2″ diameter, $4.15 each; in stores or ppd. Lawn Prong Co., Box 59, Fordham Sta., New York 58, New York.



Metal brackets let you make sawhorses without nails or bolts, assemble and disassemble quickly. Insert lumber in leg and rail sockets, tighten one wing nut to lock the device in place. When painting or papering, you can assemble horses for scaffolding right on the spot. *Dalton Sawhorse Brackets* to hold 1x4's, $2.90 a pair; for 2x4's, $3.50 a pair; at dealers. Dalton Manufacturing Co., 20 So. Central Ave., St. Louis 5, Missouri.

Soap buttons save soap, keep it off soapdishes. The button is pressed onto the soap cake, clinging with 4 tiny prongs. Lay the cake button side down and soap will dry without touching dish or lavatory. Soap buttons in bright plastic, 3 for 15c. in stores. The D-C-M Company, 31 Upson Ave., Winsted, Connecticut.

Tie it down, that extra luggage, with a device especially made for the job. *Ty-Down* hooks into the rain trough of your car and clamps across any load the car top can carry, needing no supplementary ropes or guys to hold the load in place. As the clamp is snapped shut, the ropes tighten. Clamp and hooks are steel; ropes are sturdy hemp. S-hooks may substitute for the rain-trough hooks when you use *Ty-Down* on trailers. *Ty-Down* is $4.95, in stores or ppd. Ty-Down Company, 16801 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 12, Ohio.

A bridge table that's ready to go anywhere at the snap of a lock is the *Pak'n-Karry*. To take along, the table folds to become a suitcase, 29″x14½″x5¼″, with plenty of room inside for outdoor, camp, or summer-cottage equipment. Has firm legs to hold it up, finished in alligator-grained or cowhide-grained leatherette playing surface. *Pak'n-Karry* table, in brown only, is $16.95, in stores. Pak'n-Karry, Inc., 241 Lexington Ave., New York 16, New York.

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"Ever since I was a baby," explained Betty later, "Auntie has had her Servel Gas Refrigerator. And all this time it has never made a sound, never given a moment's trouble. No wonder she's so proud of it!"

That spring we built our own home. And, of course, first thing Betty picked for our kitchen-dining nook was a Servel Gas Refrigerator. Like her aunt's, it has no motor to wear, no machinery to grow noisy. Not a moving part in the freezing system. Just a tiny gas flame does the work. So it's not surprising that folks say, "Servel stays silent, lasts longer."

This story is typical. Writes Mrs. Harvey De Laurier of Hamden, Conn., "We bought our Servel in 1942 as a result of my aunt's experience with hers. She got it when I was a little girl, and it's still serving her family faithfully and noiselessly."

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Are we getting anywhere with POLIO?

By Miriam Zeller Gross

When several persons came down with polio after attending a Sunday school picnic at Council Bluffs last summer, Iowans became impatient because the experts didn't unravel the mystery.

University professors at Iowa City shook their heads about the episode. They doubted if there were any connection between the picnic and the polio. And certainly a study of their pin-studded map—each pin representing someone stricken—gave perplexing basis for their doubts.

The map and other records showed that within hours polio had struck in 29 widely separated areas throughout the state. The areas were not connected by highways, waterways, or airways. A number who became ill lived on farms, miles from main highways. Most of those stricken had not been away from home nor had visitors. Nor had other members of the family been visiting, for several weeks.

Meanwhile, doctors in California, North Carolina, and Texas, other states hard hit by polio last year, made equally puzzling discoveries. Such mysteries are still unsolved as the polio fighters combat the disease in 1949.

After wrestling with polio for nearly 25 years and spending millions on research, scientists know a lot more about polio than they used to, but they still don't know how and why epidemics start.

Furthermore, previously hailed preventive measures have proved about 100 percent useless. Some were found dangerous as well.

Nasal sprays of zinc sulfate and other solutions permanently deprived some children of their sense of smell. But the sprays didn't stop polio. Vaccines were equally worthless. At least one type of vaccine infected with the very condition against which it promised protection. And inoculations of whole blood taken from those who had recovered proved futile in keeping the disease away from others. Dietary restrictions likewise failed to give immunity. And with all the wonder drugs, nobody has found one that will cure polio.

While all these things are quite true, the present situation is far more optimistic than the facts suggest. The polio fighters may not be able to prevent the disease. But new methods of treatment have greatly lessened its severity. And, despite misguided efforts in the past, polio is past the panic stage. Research is progressing, though it is slow and costs a great deal.

Great improvement has been made even in treating bulbar polio, responsible for most polio deaths. In this form, the virus attacks the stem of [*Turn to page 130*

Play it safe! Insist on Briggs exclusive Safety-Bottom bathtub.

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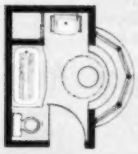

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

the latest in garden news reported by Dr. R. Milton Carleton

Feed trees nitrogen in autumn

Dr. F. E. Gardener of the Department of Agriculture has found that trees fed with high-nitrogen plant food in fall store the nitrogen up until spring. Then it's all ready to go, long before nitrogen in the soil is available. This is as true of evergreens as other trees. I kept losing foliage from my Hicks yews until I tried high-nitrogen plant food. Since then, the hedge has resisted winter-burn as well as though I had moved it 200 miles farther south.

Mums need short days to bloom

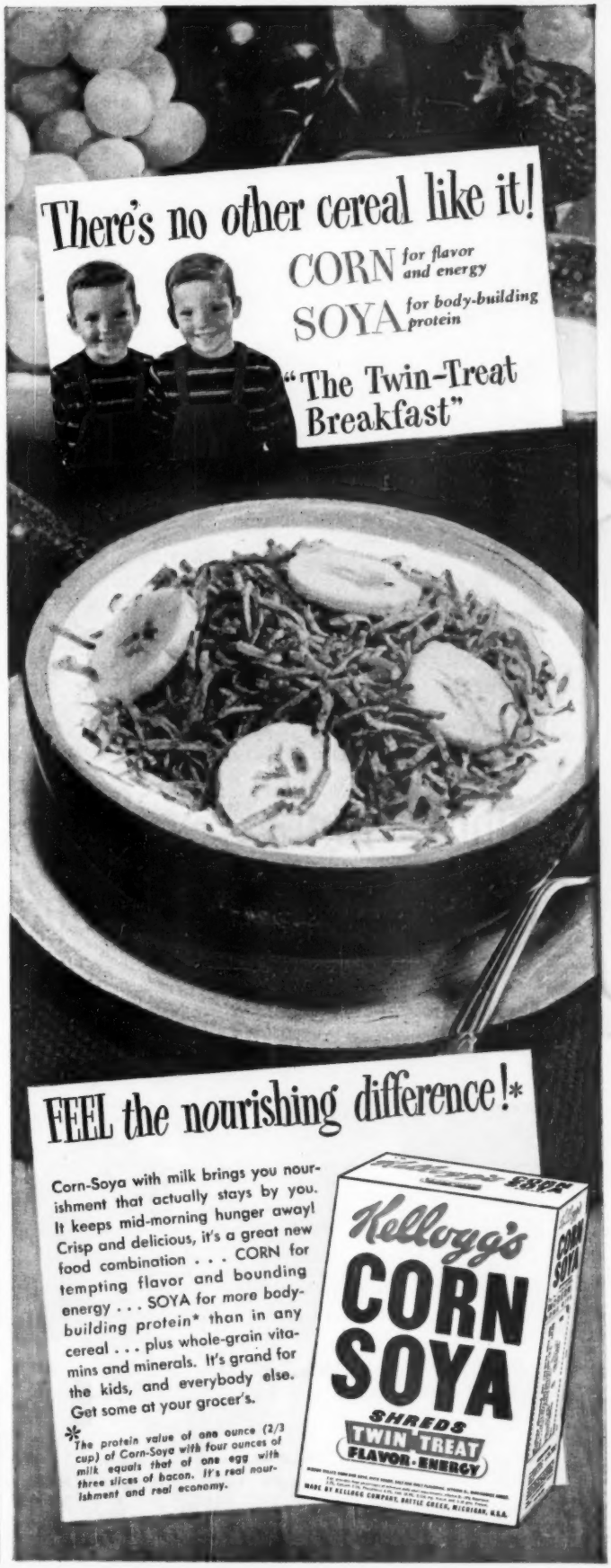
Why did chrysanthemums bloom so late in the fall of 1947 and 1948? We have known for years that mums won't set buds until the days begin to grow shorter. What happened in 1947 and 1948 was that we had clear, dry weather in late summer, and the sun wasn't hidden by mists at dawn and sunset. Hence, there was an hour and a half more light each day than normal. It doesn't take much extra light to prevent flowering: One grower couldn't get flowers all winter from mums in a part of the greenhouse where a street light shone in. There isn't much the home gardener can do about this light response of mums. However, it will make him feel better to know that autumns like those of 1947 and 1948 don't happen very often.

Peas that like hot weather

It's real news to lovers of fresh peas that science has bred garden peas that can stand midsummer heat and sharp freezes and still bear normally. So far there are three varieties available: Green Bayou, Wando, and Willett's Wonder. I have picked Green Bayou in August with the thermometer at 100 degrees, and I have seen plots that went through an 18-degree freeze unharmed. Probably none of them rates quite as high in taste as freshly picked Little Marvel, but they're far superior to anything you can buy in midsummer.

An insecticide you'll hear more about

A surprising development in insecticides has been the increase in use of benzene hexachloride or BHC. It is relatively nonpoisonous to man, but deadly to insects. One grower told me he had fumigated one million cubic feet of greenhouse with a single pound of BHC. The chemical got a bad name in the beginning because potato growers couldn't believe that the small recommended amounts could do any good. They increased the dose 5 to 10 times, and their potatoes got the musty hay odor of BHC. But used in the right amounts there is no odor. Watch BHC: It may be one of the most important insect killers of 1950.



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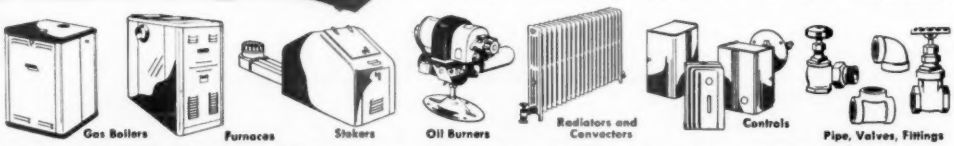

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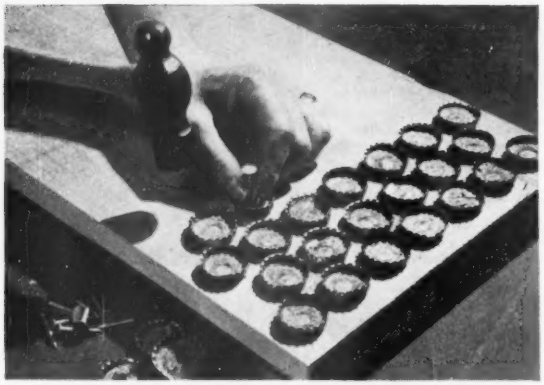
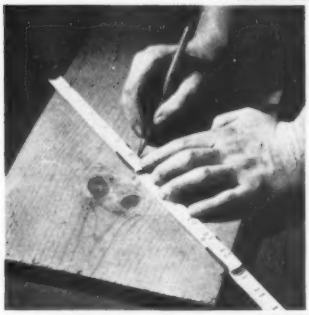
How-to for the handy man



Mud scraper. Do you track mud into the house when you come in from the garden? You can make an efficient mud scraper by nailing old bottle caps, crimped side up, to a scrap of lumber. Use roofing nails. Use cleats for ventilation below board. M. E. Meyer, Albany, California

Stops screwdriver slips. A trace of grease or oil on the blade of your screwdriver is often responsible for those slips that damage the screw's slot and may give you a nasty cut. In warm weather, perspiration from your hands can be responsible. To end such slips, increase friction between blade and screw by drawing blade across blue marking chalk. Stanley Warren, Des Moines



Finding a center. When you want to locate the exact center of a board's width, you usually run into some complicated mathematics when you measure straight across. Instead, lay your rule on the board at an angle, and shift it until you have an even number of inches to divide. Half the distance from edge to edge will always divide board in two. A. C. Miskelly, Orleans, Massachusetts

Paintbrush wiper. If you use paint from the can it comes in, paint accumulates in the groove and runs down the outside. Shown is a hand-size container made from a coffee can. Stiff wire, run through holes punched in the edge, gives you a place to wipe the brush without getting paint on outside. L. G. Sorenson, Sheboygan, Wisconsin

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How-to for the handy man

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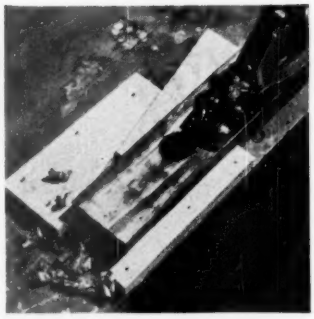
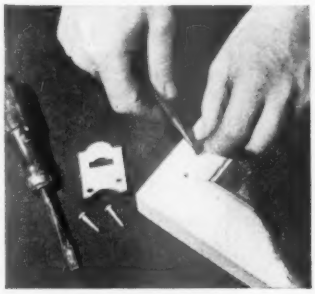


Vise substitute. Three pieces of wood will hold a piece of lumber for planing either wide side or edge. Nail a straight scrap and a triangular piece to your workbench, so board being planed can't quite slip through. Wedge board in place with a second triangle. Clamps should be thinner than the board. F. F. MacDonald, No. Abington, Massachusetts



To tighten loose screws. One of the easiest and most effective ways of tightening screws is pictured here. Just remove the loose screw, stuff the hole full of steel wool, and put the screw back in. It will hold. N. S. Nash, North East, Pennsylvania

Handle improves yardstick. When you use a yardstick for measuring or as a straightedge, you will work more accurately if the yardstick has a handle. A small metal handle of the type used on screen doors, attached with two small screws, will serve very well. R. M. Woodbury, Haverhill, Massachusetts

Painting stepsaver. If you want to save steps between your basement workshop and your painting project, here's an idea that permits you to carry three cans of painting materials in one hand. A wooden coat hanger without a crossbar will serve as well if you cut notches on the concave side for handles. Mrs. M. Block, Mamaroneck, New York

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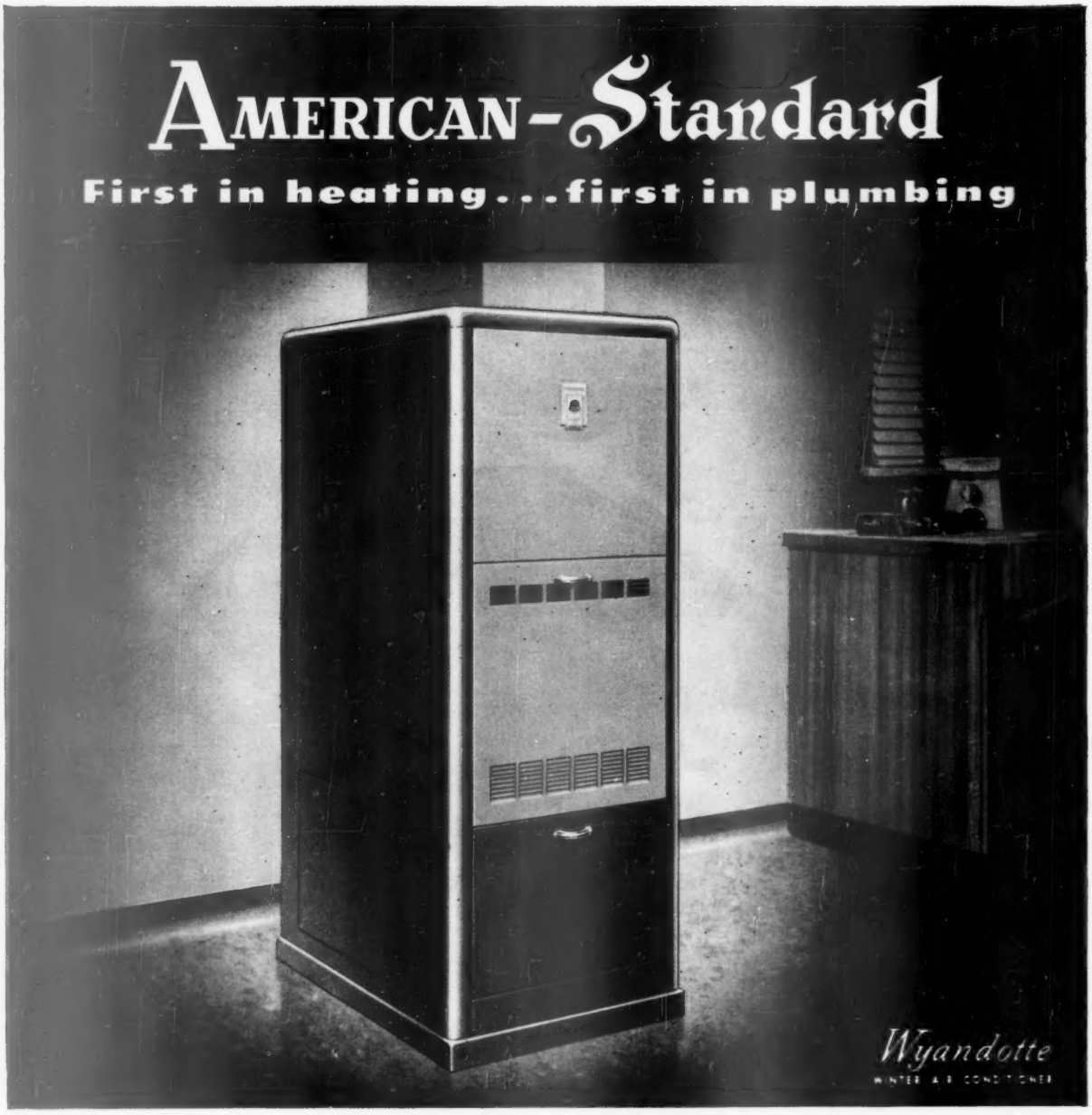

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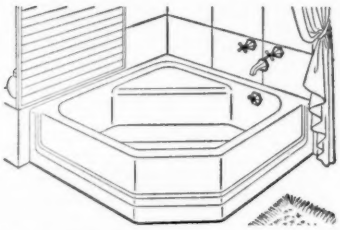

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$50,000 worth of ideas in a low-cost home

In these homes, we show you how Levitt & Sons brought the Cape Cod cottage up to date. They sell them with equipment, lot—and an outstanding floor plan—for $7,990

By John Normile, A.I.A., and Robert M. Jones

It takes a bold hand to make a major improvement in small-home design. Limits on cost and space stand as roadblocks.

But look carefully at the low-cost homes pictured below and on pages that follow. They have a basic floor plan with features you'll rarely find in homes costing twice as much.

For the first time in a large Eastern development of small homes, the traditional center-entrance plan has been reversed. The living room is located at the rear, overlooking the garden, where it belongs. One living-room wall is a 16-foot view window.

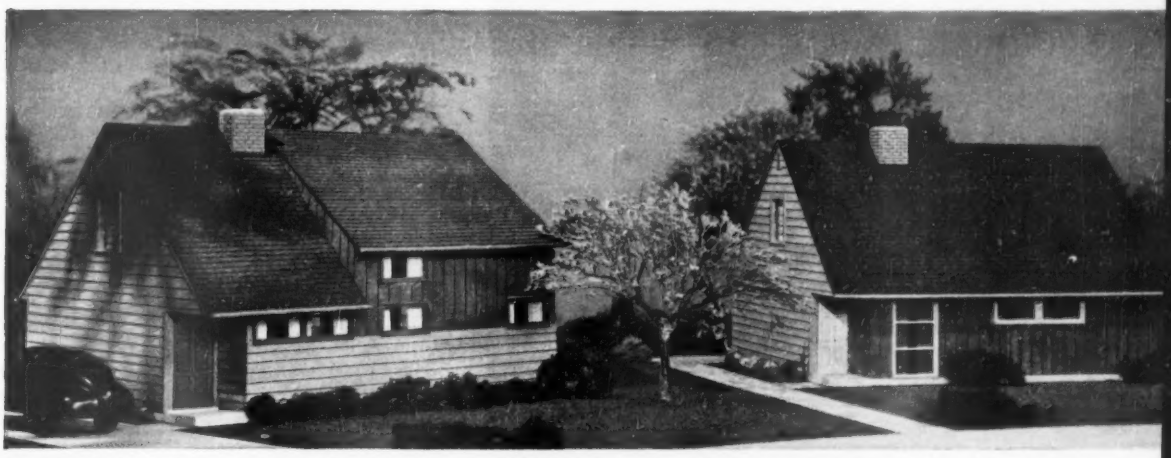
The central fireplace is open on two sides, serves two rooms. The kitchen, up front by the corner entrance, is a control station for the whole house. There are two bedrooms and a bath downstairs, room for two more bedrooms and a second bath upstairs.

Yet the 4,000 homes being built with this plan this summer won't sell for $15,000, or even $12,000. Their price tag is just $7,990—$90 down and $58 a month.

This design is the 1949 product of Levitt & Sons, spectacular Long Island builders. They spent $50,000 in working out the pilot model. They started with the familiar Cape Cod cottage. Then they modified the plan to include as many of today's luxury-living ideas as possible without increasing the cost.

There are many cost-savers in the Levitt operation behind that low price. But one of the most significant—and certainly the most significant for you—is the basic floor plan itself.

We believe this is one of the most important improvements in small-home planning in years. On the pages that follow, we are presenting the plan, with two exterior variations, as *Better Homes & Gardens Five Star Homes No. 1908A and 1908B.*



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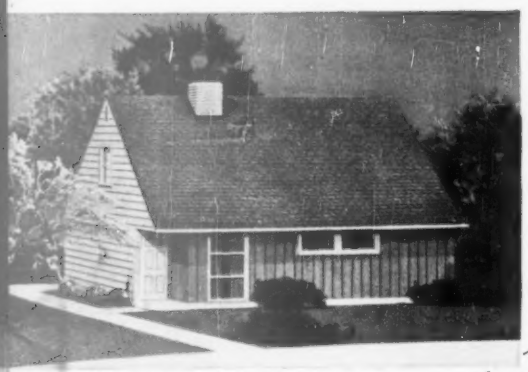
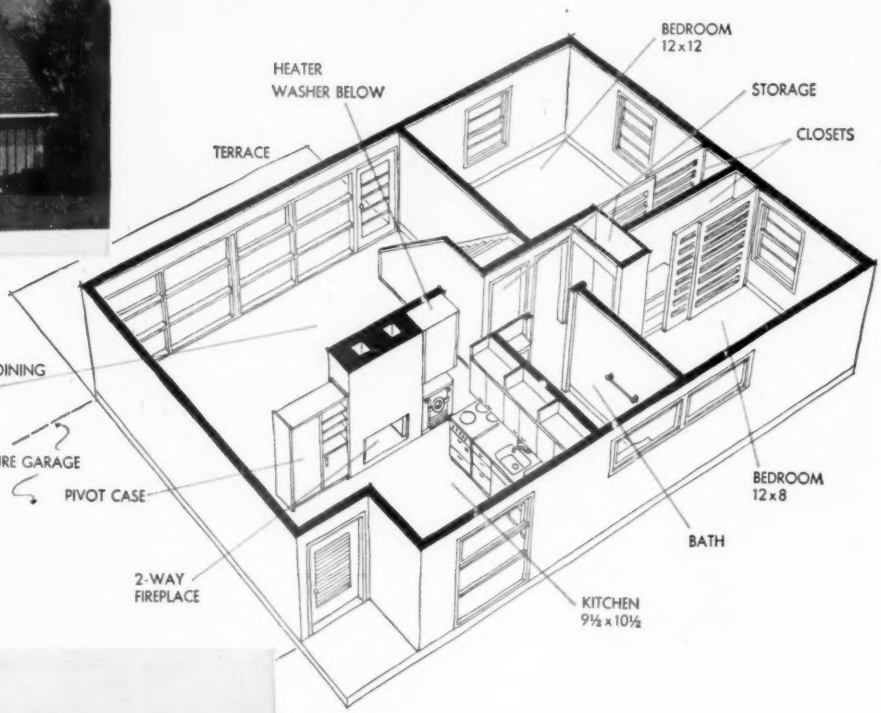


Left side wall is unbroken to allow construction of a garage or carport. Homes have identical plan, variations in roof lines and window placement

Corner entrance is key to a flexible, open plan within the confines of a simple, low-cost rectangle



Over-all dimensions: 32'x25'
Designer: Alfred Levitt
Builder: Levitt & Sons, Manhasset, New York
Decorator: Beatrice West

Obviously, you won't be able to have this home custom-built for the same amount of money the Levitts are asking. But careful study of the plans indicates it can be custom-built for less than practically any other home of equal size.

The Cape Cod cottage, with no costly jogs in the outside walls, has always been one of the least expensive homes to build.

In modifying the traditional Cape Cod design, the most important single change came when the Levitts shifted the front entrance from the center of the house to one corner of the house.

That move, simple though it may seem in retrospect, gave them great flexibility in working out the interior.

It permits them to put the living room at the rear.

It brings the kitchen up front. Sewer and water pipes run out to the street without crossing beneath the house. The homemaker has a central control station (the kitchen) convenient to any room in the house.

It opens up the interior so that [*Turn to page 40*

Wall of glass overlooks garden, has insulating glass for comfort. Sectional construction adds architectural character, cuts cost, permits ventilating sections. Home was furnished for less than $1,000 (cost list, page 147)

Massive two-way fireplace is the central feature of the home. Entrance door is behind swinging storage partition at right (see plan). Pushed back, partition creates an entrance hall. Living-room side of partition has drop-down desk, bookshelves, space for guest wraps. The kitchen is on the other side of fireplace

Game table of living room and breakfast table of kitchen are identical, join (above) to make a 30"x60" dining table. The stairway wall (above and right) is built of wide boards, painted and wiped to expose grain. Note terrace door

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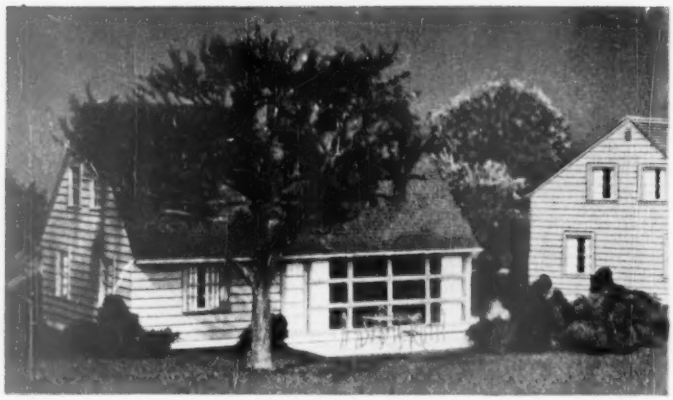


Garden side has 16-foot view window for living room; two panes swing out for ventilation. Door leads to living room and stairway. Upstairs windows will make future bedrooms there comfortable

the interior seems larger than it actually is.

The corner entrance allows placement of windows at logical intervals, where they will best serve the interior without regard for exact exterior balance. At the same time, shutters are eliminated without destroying the home's attractiveness.

It permits a hallway *across* the home that takes minimum space, yet gives maximum access to every room. This hallway doubles as a laundry area.

It permits a two-way central fireplace that can be viewed from either living room or kitchen, one that can be conveniently used for indoor barbecues.

A second significant design feature is the expandable attic. Left unfinished when the house is built, it has plenty of headroom and window area for two comfortable bedrooms and a second bathroom upstairs. This second-floor space—attic is a misnomer—is reached by a permanent, finished stairway at one end of the living room.

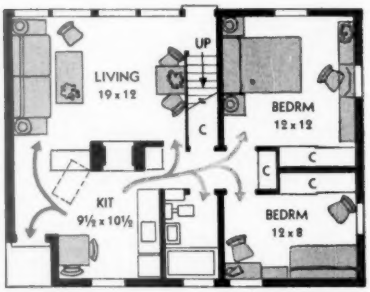
When the time comes that the two downstairs bedrooms are no longer enough, the cost of adding more space can be figured in hundreds of dollars for finishing materials, instead of thousands of dollars for a complete new addition to the house.

All of this makes a lot of sense.

There are many other dollar-saving features in this house.

It has dry walls of plasterboard instead of plaster. Each room is planned on a multiple of four feet, the standard width of a plasterboard sheet. Thus these sheets do not have to be cut and fitted.

The house is built on a concrete slab, without a basement, trimming excavation costs. Radiant-heating coils are embedded in the concrete; conventional hot-air ducts can be placed in the ceiling [*Turn to page 142*



View through kitchen and down bedroom hall (see plan above) shows part of hinged partition (left), indoor-barbecue side of fireplace, suspended heater with washing machine below, built-in storage unit for linens, edge of kitchen range (extreme right). Owners' bedroom and a large storage closet are at the left of linen cabinet

Kitchen location makes it an ideal center for directing activities. Big window lets you observe anyone approaching house. Table has plastic top, doubles as work counter. Chairs match those in living room, may be used either place. Screen is a porch blind set on edge. Entrance detail shows relation of kitchen to the front door

Children's room features a combination bookshelf-desk. The desk pivots on a dowel at the bookshelf end, may be pushed back out of the way when not in use, or when only one child uses it. High strip window furnishes privacy from street. Bed pulls out, provides sleeping space for two

Kitchen is a control station for entire house

Swinging storage partition is easily shifted. It is mounted on four large casters, swings on hooks set in the masonry as the fireplace is built. The unit stands six feet tall, is faced with combed plywood

Kitchen work units—range, sink, and refrigerator—are concentrated on one wall. Additional cabinets can be installed on opposite wall, with table in front of window. Space over cabinets holds plants

They wanted charm . . .

they got it with Colonial furnishings

By Ann White

Cheery fire on the Tschudy hearth echoes the rich glow of mahogany, the friendly invitation of Williamsburg wing chairs. Decorator Peggy Sloan shows you can mix Colonial chintz and brocade with a figured rug if you keep all the colors subdued and closely related

After more than two hundred years, Colonial furnishings seem to be ageless. They still bring into a home all the grace and romance of the day when ladies wore crinoline petticoats and their men were fighting for Independence. The beautiful scale and proportion of fine Colonial furnishings mean they will always stand for good taste and gracious living.

That's the way Mr. and Mrs. Jay Tschudy, Jr., of Kansas City, Kansas, reasoned when they decorated their home in the Colonial manner.

The Tschudys were lucky enough to inherit a few pieces of Colonial furniture. They found more antiques in shops and old homes. Then they added authentic reproductions of old pieces and chose chintzes and rugs copied from Colonial designs. You see the results.

You can turn out a gem of a Colonial house, too, if you base your decorating scheme on Colonial furnishings. Or you can add charm to your home with a few pieces of Colonial furniture. Good antiques and reproductions will mix gracefully with any style furniture you may have.

More on page 78

Colonial wallpaper in the dining room sets the gray-green and rose color scheme for the house. Mrs. Tschudy combined a Queen Anne table, Chippendale chairs, and Philadelphia cupboard. Furniture that isn't exactly matched gives a room a delightful personal touch

With its center chimney, clapboard walls, and shuttered door, this home reminds you of Colonial days. Morton Payne, architect

Colonial colors—in the chintzes, rug, and walls—add warmth to this tiny bookroom that opens off the living room. Small-scaled Colonial chairs and tables add a feeling of space to a small room like this

How to be a better in-law

By Judson and Mary Landis
Michigan State College, Authors of "The Marriage Handbook"

From the biggest study ever made of in-laws

SON-IN-LAW?

It's 1 in 5 you have in-law trouble

Why

1. Because you are sensitive about your rights as head of the family, you interpret many of the innocent actions of your wife's family as interference. You brace yourself against taking any advice from them. You look upon their natural interest in your activities as an attempt to dominate you or your wife. This attitude causes you to behave childishly around your in-laws by being rude and surly, or by showing a dominating attitude toward your wife in the presence of her family.
2. You make them feel unwelcome in your home or refuse to visit them. You belittle them or criticize them to your wife.
3. Though you still consult your parents on matters of importance, you resent it if your wife consults hers on things that concern the two of you.

How to be a better son-in-law

1. Look upon them as friendly people, not "in-laws." Consider their advice on its merits as you would if it came from some other friendly person interested in your welfare. If it is good, follow it. If it isn't good, ignore it politely without making any fuss over their having offered it.
2. Play the part of a good host when they visit you, a good guest when you visit them. Your wife will respect you for it, and so will her family. You will find, also, that your feelings will follow your actions—if you treat them well and stop criticizing them, you will like them better.
3. Grow up and be independent of your own parents. Then maybe your wife will grow up too.

DAUGHTER-IN-LAW?

It's 1 in 3 you have in-law trouble

Why

1. You let your desire to be recognized as the *one woman* in your husband's life cause you to be jealous of his mother and prejudiced in your judgment of her. You hide behind the fact that mothers-in-law are reputed to be troublemakers and so you fail to recognize that your own childish attitudes may be to blame.
2. You fail to show your in-laws the same sympathy and understanding that you show your own family.
3. You have trouble with your husband about your family. You are still emotionally dependent upon them. You show it by going to them for advice, by telling them too much about the personal affairs of your husband and yourself, by wanting to spend too much time with them, by holding them up as models of wisdom.

How to be a better daughter-in-law

1. Don't carry a chip on your shoulder toward your mother-in-law; analyze your own actions and feelings. Accept the fact that your husband loves his mother and probably always will, just as you will want your son to love you. Look for her good traits. Give her credit for having helped make a good man of her son, and don't criticize her to your husband or to anyone else.
2. Make it an unbreakable rule to treat all of your in-laws with courtesy and respect. Not only will you be popular with your in-laws, but your husband will love you for it.
3. Be objective about your family. You can love them without being emotionally dependent upon them. Accept the fact that your life with your husband is your present and future; your life with your family is more nearly your past. No mature person clings to the past.

Whom do

MOTHER-IN-LAW?

3 out of 5 say you're to blame

Why

1. You hover over your married children, give them too much advice, and try to help them too much.
2. You irritate your children-in-law by demanding too much devotion and attention from your children.
3. You do not willingly release your son and encourage him to find his emotional security in his wife and in his life with her.

How to be a better mother-in-law

1. You can take hands off and let the married children live their own lives. They will make mistakes—you cannot stop them. The test of a good mother-in-law is whether she can stand aside and let them make their own mistakes and learn in their own way.
2. Your best insurance against being labeled a meddling mother-in-law is to find some absorbing interests of your own that have no connection with your children's lives. If you are busy living your own life, you will find it easier to let them live theirs. Now that your children are married, you have your chance to take up some of the activities you had no time for when they were at home.
3. Accept the fact that if you have been a successful mother, your son will give his wife first place in his heart. If you continue to hold first place with him, it means you have never let him grow up. A mature adult gives his first allegiance to his mate, not his mother.

Having a bad time with your mother-in-law? Does the old battle-ax butt into your affairs? Wait. Don't tell us. We've heard it all before.

In the biggest study ever made of in-law problems, nearly a thousand married couples—953 of them—let us in on their in-laws. They gave us the low-down, not only about their relatives by marriage, but inadvertently about themselves—the husbands and wives who can't get along with each others' brothers and sisters, mothers and dads. We rediscovered what a lot of them had forgotten: That it takes two to make a fight. And our suspicion that most in-law troubles weren't one-sided was confirmed.

Of the couples, 409 had been married an average of 20 years. Because none of them had been divorced and 85 percent of them said their marriages were happy or very happy, they tended to *understate* rather than exaggerate the seriousness of in-law friction in the average marriage. The wives in this group rated in-law trouble the second worst headache in married life. The men put it in third place.

In the second group were 544 couples, none of whom had been married longer than six years. These comparative newlyweds said in-laws were *their* No. 1 marriage problem.

Without comparing notes, husbands and wives in each group told us which in-law causes them the most trouble and what the wife or husband does that increases the friction. Here it is—straight from the shoulder. What you do and what you can do *about it*, even if you're that lucky fellow no one seems to hate, a brother-in-law.

husbands and wives blame for in-law trouble?

FATHER-IN-LAW?

1 out of 7 says you're to blame

Why

1. You spoil your daughter, then it irks you when her husband expects her to act like a responsible adult. You decide he is not good enough for her.
2. You may give too much financial help to your married children and attempt to use this as an indirect means of control.
3. You allow yourself to be used as a tool by the women in the family when they are at cross purposes with the in-laws.

How to be a better father-in-law

1. You can just relax about your children when they marry. Don't get involved in any kind of interference in their lives.
2. In financial matters treat them as you do any other responsible adult. Assist them only when they ask you to and have all dealings on a businesslike basis.
3. Even before your children marry, make sure that you have a good basis of companionship with your wife. See that you and she keep up common interests that don't depend on the presence of your children. You'll be a better father-in-law, and you can help your wife be a better mother-in-law if the two of you are busy enjoying life together.

SISTER-IN-LAW?

1 out of 5 says you're to blame

Why

1. Like your mother, you are more wrapped up in family affairs than are the men in your family. So you tend to take too critical an interest in how your in-laws are living their lives.
2. You give advice freely where you think it is needed.
3. In your visiting about among members of your family, you have a talent for picking up information and passing it on in a way that creates misunderstanding in the family—especially with your in-laws.
4. You are competitive toward your sisters-in-law.

How to be a better sister-in-law

1. Keep enough constructive interests and activities in your own life so that you have no time to be an interfering sister-in-law.
2. Restrain every impulse to comment on any fault or peculiarity of *any* in-law.
3. Never repeat critical remarks or comments that have been made to you by other members of the family about in-laws.
4. If you feel antagonistic toward any in-law, take a good long look at *why* you feel as you do—is it jealousy?

BROTHER-IN-LAW?

1 out of 20 says you're to blame

Why

If you happen to feel that your sister or brother made a poor choice of mate, you don't bother to hide your feelings. You either openly belittle the in-law or you ignore him in an unflattering manner. Your chief virtue is that you are busy with your own affairs and seldom play the role of an interfering in-law.

How to be a better brother-in-law

No matter what you think of your in-law, treat him as you do any special friend of a member of the family. You may find he's not so bad when you know him better.

What kind of in-law are you?

	Yes	No
1. Do you ever give unsolicited advice to your in-laws?	☐	☐
2. Do you let your irritation show when your in-laws offer you advice?	☐	☐
3. Do you like your in-laws and consider them among your real friends?	☐	☐
4. Do you feel that your in-laws don't understand you or appreciate you?	☐	☐
5. Do you ever quote your family or their way of doing things as a model for your mate?	☐	☐
6. Do you ever discuss the faults of your husband or wife with members of your own family?	☐	☐

Scoring: (1) No. (2) No. (3) Yes. (4) No. (5) No. (6) No. Give yourself 1 point for each right answer. If you could truthfully give the right answer to all six, you are a perfect in-law. If your score was 4, you can improve. A score of 3 or less means you don't pass. You are a problem in-law.

Here is the answer one couple made to high building costs

Inside end of the living room has desk and bookshelves built into wall next to fireplace. Since there wasn't enough wall space to swing interior doors, we covered openings with monk's cloth draperies

Though kitchen is only 6 by 11½ feet, it has 9 feet of tiled counter space. Blue and white wallpaper is lacquered for easier washing. Two-burner range is against brick on opposite wall

House is only 24 feet wide and 18 feet deep, but 10-foot breezeway and good proportions make it seem larger. Redwood shakes, rough brick, and leaded windows give the house a rustic effect

Fireplace consists of two brick walls forming a right angle, and a copper hood to carry off smoke. Hood radiates enough heat to warm entire room in a few minutes. Bricks turned endways hold plants

Start off with a

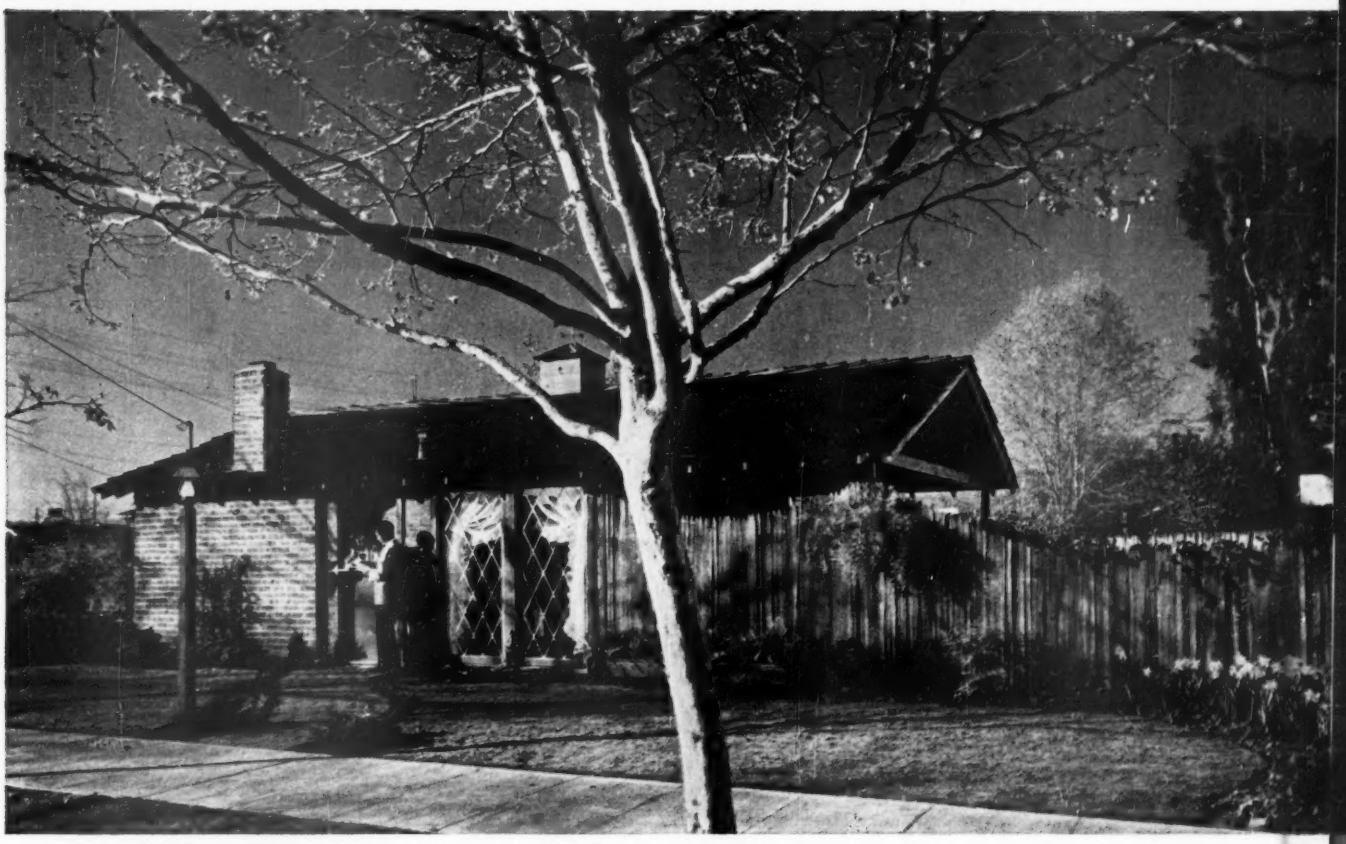
When we moved to Palo Alto, California, we had to decide whether to build a large house and take a long time paying for it, or to build a small house out of accumulated savings.

We decided on a small house—small, but attractive enough to stand comparison with its more imposing neighbors. Actual dimensions are 18 by 24. To create an illusion of size, we put the long side of the house toward the street, added a 10-foot breezeway, and kept the roof as low as we could and still use standard-sized doors. Windows on the street side have diamond-shaped panes (photographs opposite page) that break up the window space to the scale of redwood shakes, bricks, and grape-stake fence.

Sliding doors mounted on the wall under the breezeway roof give us more living space. This lets us open the entire end of either living room or bedroom for summer outdoor living.

For golf clubs, luggage, extra furniture, canned goods, and cleaning materials, we have a 6 by 10-foot storeroom. There we also have our washer, water heater, and water softener. A gas wall heater and the fireplace give us general heat which we supplement occasionally with a portable electric heater.

Living in a small house has other advantages besides cost. We are never more than a few steps from anything in the house. And keeping it clean and neat is only a part-time job.



small house

By Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Faurot

Living room is finished in knotty pine left natural. Framing members for the roof are exposed. Fringed panel behind davenport is a door which slides open to connect living room with breezeway outside. Similar panel in bedroom also opens so entire house can be aired in a few minutes

Keep your garden June-fresh in August

Sure, hot weather is hard on your garden. And here's what you should do about it

By Ralph K. Andrist

July heat and drouth bring out the worst in your garden. Plants that looked green and healthy in spring are drooping, and insects and plant diseases are at work. When things look bad, your garden needs help in a hurry. Below are 10 common hot-weather garden ailments—and their cures.

Grass dead in patches: Grubs of June or Japanese beetles are usually the cause. They cut off grass roots so that you can roll back the sod like a carpet. If you find grubs, dust grass with lead arsenate, one pound per 100 square feet, and water it in, or use Chlordane spray. Or, if patches are small, turn back sod and spray soil underneath with DDT. Dig up patch and reseed about two weeks later.

Tomatoes have rot: Blossom-end rot in tomatoes (soft, brown spots on side opposite stem) is caused by lack of water. Tomatoes already affected should be thrown away, but preventing future rot is simple. Water liberally and often, and mulch if at all possible. In fact, mulching will help all vegetables through heat and drouth.

Vine vegetables wilting: Water cucumbers, melons, other vine crops liberally. Use a combination insecticide-fungicide for borers, beetles, and the diseases they spread. Mound soil every two feet at a leaf joint on squash and pumpkin vines. Roots form, so borer in one spot won't kill entire vine.

Soil baked hard: Brick-hard spots are where you walked this spring when soil was wet. Spade up such spots and mix in humus. If they are on lawn, seed and keep moist at all times until new grass has a good start. General lawn reseeding should wait another month.

Black spot on roses: Rose black spot, zinnia mildew, hollyhock rust, and other fungus diseases are worse in damp weather. Use dusting sulfur, or buy an all-purpose spray which kills insects as well as fungus diseases.

Flower garden gone scraggly: Stake tall plants which are breaking over. Cut out old flower heads, and weed out unkempt plants of annuals done blooming.

Weedy lawns: Use 2,4-D to get rid of broad-leaved weeds like dandelion and plantain. Spray on a still day and cover nearby plants with newspapers. Drifting 2,4-D can damage them badly.

Crabgrass in lawns: Rake lawn to raise crabgrass stems, and then mow in one direction; rake and mow again at right angles. Crabgrass is an annual; if it doesn't reseed, it will disappear.

Evergreens turning brown: Look for red-spider-mite, which also attacks phlox and many other plants. Turn to page 139 to learn how to detect and get rid of redspider-mite.

Ants in your plants: Ant hills are unsightly, and ants encourage aphids. Chlordane (follow directions on label) is an excellent control measure. Or poke a rod down into underground nest, pour in carbon bisulfide or cyanide compound, and plug hole with dirt.

Grass dead in patches
A case of underground activity —grubs are cutting grass roots

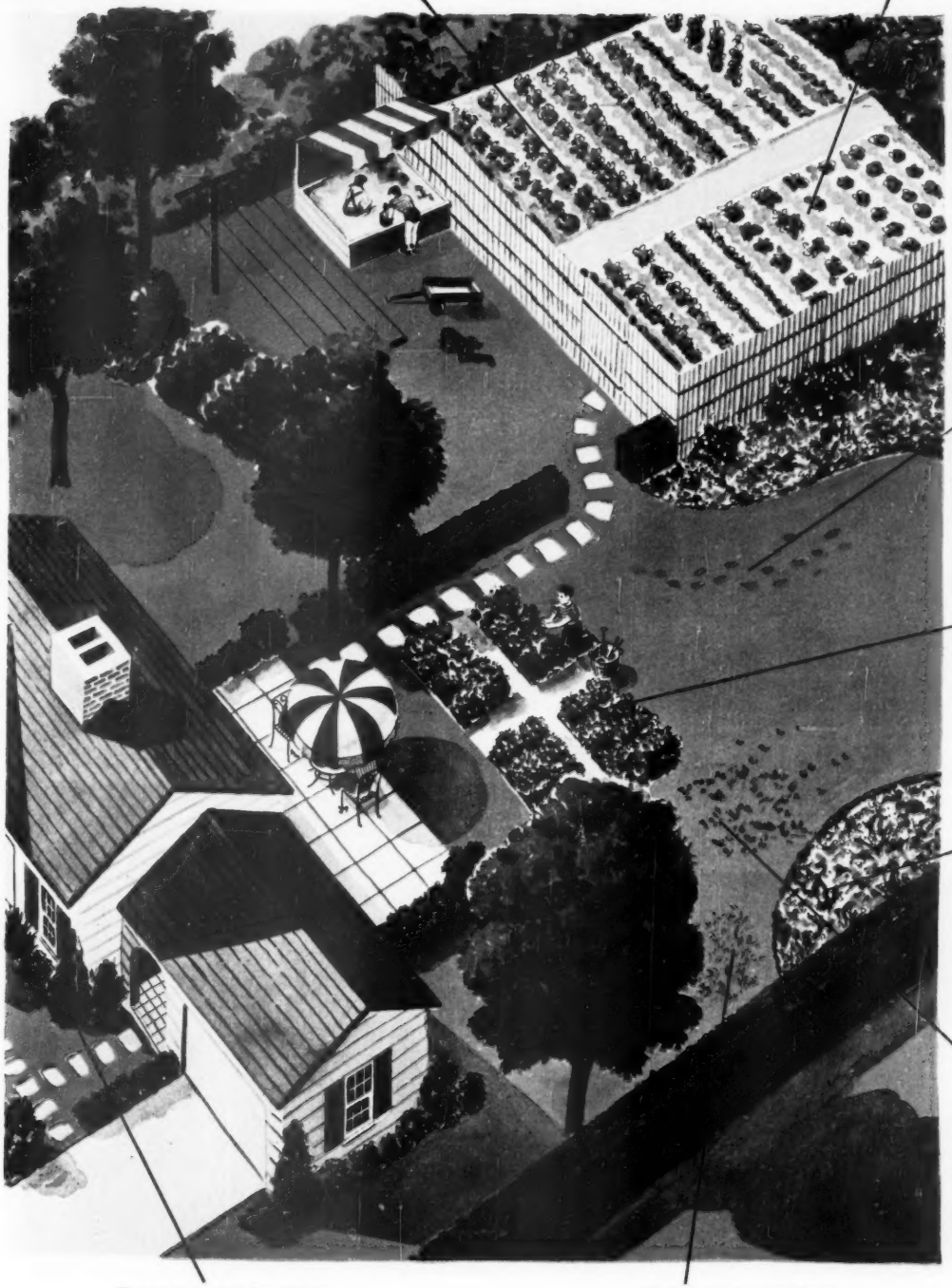
Ants in your plants
Ants, too, need housing. But the mess they make in your garden is cause for eviction

Tomatoes have rot

You can't repair a tomato already spotted with rot. But it's easy to save the rest

Vine vegetables wilting

Insects, disease, and dryness mean triple trouble. Counterattack with garden hose and spray gun



Soil baked hard

Baked spots are reminders of past gardening sins. But you can still repair a big part of the damage

Black spot on roses

Rose black spot and fungus diseases of other plants call for action with your spray gun or duster

Flower garden gone scraggly

No need to worry here. A bit of garden housekeeping will make things as neat and trim as ever

Weedy lawn

The hand-digging of a few years back is out of date. You now can kill weeds a much easier way

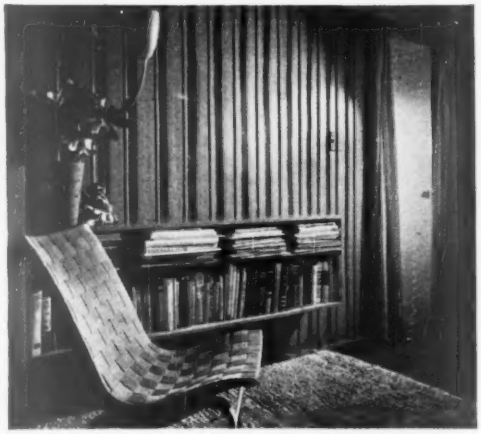
Evergreens turning brown

Your trouble is undoubtedly a tiny pest called red spider. He's tough, but there are ways to lick him

Crabgrass in your lawn

Crabgrass has one weakness—it's an annual. Take advantage of that fact and you can kill it

Add hominess to your living room by filling a wall of floor-to-ceiling shelves with the books you read. Radio-phonograph cabinet painted the same color as the shelves blends right in. Don't worry if you haven't collected enough books yet. You can use extra space for old china, plants, or ship models. Helen Levy, decorator



Give spice to a dull hall with modern hanging shelves. The panel of wood rounds that appears to hold the bookcase suspended in mid-air casts intriguing shadows on the wall behind. The shelves are firmly fastened to the wall at a convenient height for chair-side browsing

Bring friendliness into your entry hall by framing one door with books. Rows of books make a colorful pattern that's as beautiful as a fine painting—and they're as personal as a handshake. Shelves need not take much entry hall space; most books are no more than eight inches from front to back

Rooms with books are friendly rooms

Color, charm, character—your rooms gain all these with books

By Gerry Stoner

You hear a lot about friendly rooms—and schemes that make your rooms more inviting. But one of the simplest ways to get that friendly atmosphere is to tuck bookshelves into a corner or parade books and shelves across a wall.

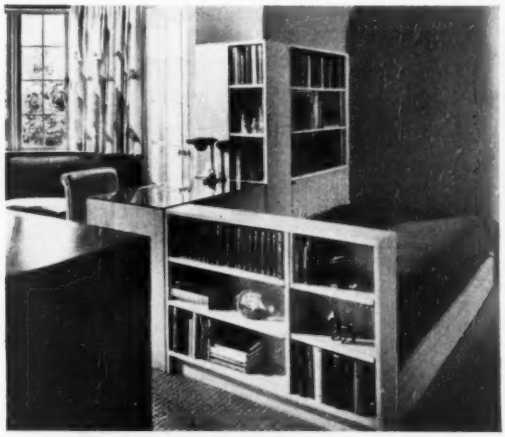
Open bookshelves that bid you to reach in and pick out a novel add hospitality to your rooms. The textures of the book bindings spell warmth; the colors of the bindings and the jackets perk up your color scheme, Books also reflect your interests and hobbies—so they become a very personal expression of you. (See how much you can guess about friends by scanning the titles of the books they own.)

With planning, you can put your bookshelves to extra uses, too. Cut shelves low and wide so the top can double as an end table. Place shelves at right angles to the wall and they'll partition off one end of the room. Build shelves up around windows to substitute for curtains.

Set your imagination free and see how you can use bookshelves to make your home more attractive, more inviting. Here are six shelf arrangements. They may give you ideas.

Capitalize on a handsome love seat by surrounding it with bookshelves that reach to the ceiling. Cabinets built as part of the book unit are the right height to serve as end tables. That trailing plant you see on the middle shelf breaks the horizontal line of books and shelves—a good trick to remember when you decorate bookcases

Dress a window by building bookshelves at either side of the casing. Books take the place of draperies or curtains which might shut out the sun. Plant brackets at the sides of window and knickknack space along the sill tie the shelves together



Divide one room into two by letting a bookcase suggest a wall. Here shelves and a desk form a protected bed alcove in the study. You can use the same partial wall principle to separate your entry hall from your living room or to screen off the dining area in your living-dining room

Let time help you remodel

Your plans can be as extensive as you want if you stretch your money with time

1938 This decrepit structure—dirt-floored, with roof and chimney crumbling—was a former slave kitchen built in 1840 on a Mississippi plantation

1943 After the first step of expansion, the house looked like this. The addition once was used as the plantation's office and commissary building

Though she no longer sweeps mortar dust, Mrs. Smith regrets covering the original brick walls with wallboard. Much of the quaintness disappeared with the brickwork

Floor-to-ceiling windows in the dining room were salvaged from the wreckage of the 100-year-old plantation house. Some of the furniture is as old as the house

By Bern Keating

Time is as much a part of the home of the J. O. Smiths, near Greenville, Mississippi, as its bricks and timbers.

Their home started in 1840 as a slave kitchen. Much of the material used for the additions came from the main house of the plantation on which their home stands. And to stretch their money, and to meet the needs of an expanding family, the Smiths spread their remodeling over a decade.

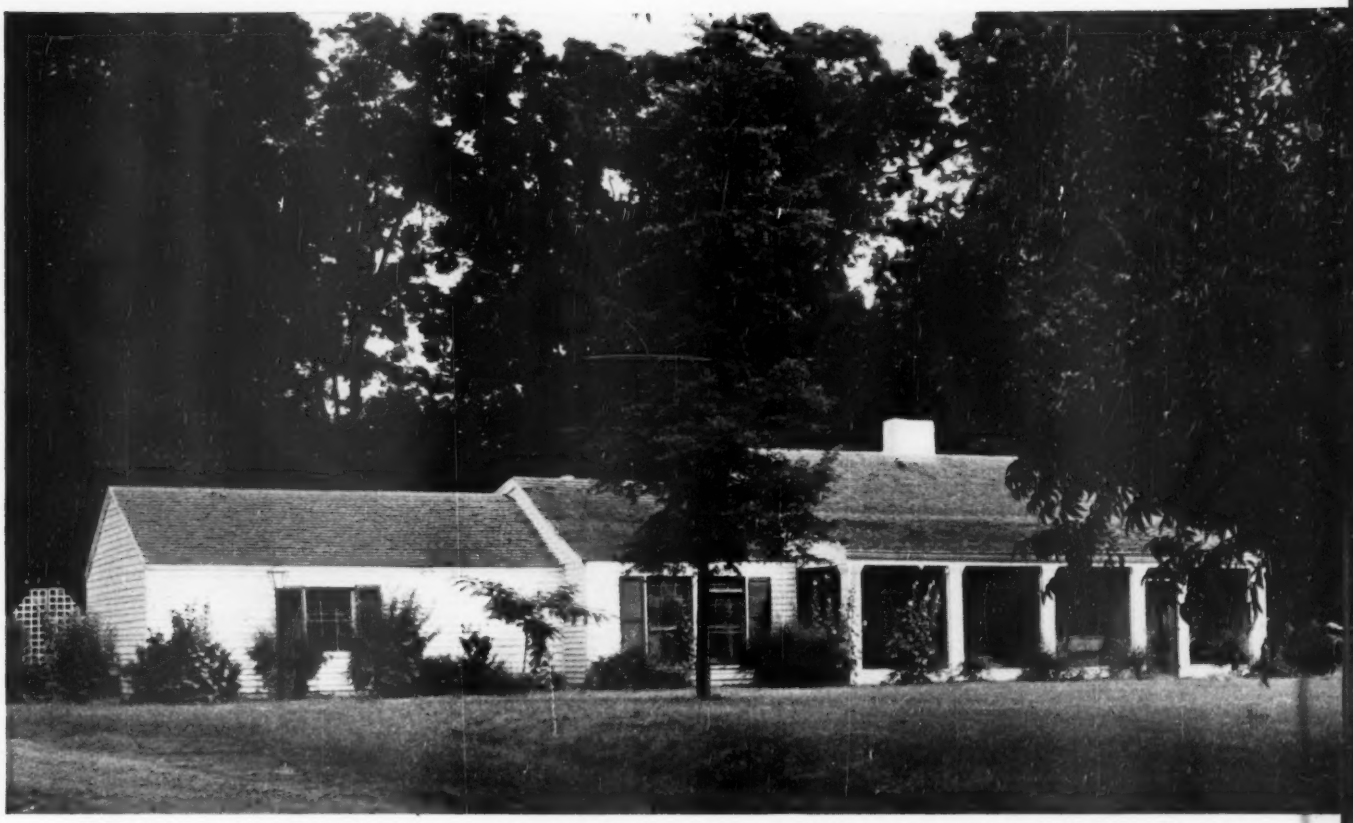
When the Smiths took over in 1938, the building was nothing but four sturdy walls around a huge central chimney. Floors were packed earth; windows were tiny holes closed only by rotting shutters; the roof was falling in.

Mrs. Smith saw ruin and decay. But Mr. Smith saw the native strength and graceful proportions of the walls, and the mellow, time-softened beauty of the brick.

The main house of the plantation stood in crumbled ruin, beyond repair. But when it was torn down, Mr. Smith insisted that the wreckers preserve every hand-wrought nail and hand-hewn beam for storage against the day when he would want to use them in expanding the kitchen.

For six weeks the Smiths supervised work from a trailer; then they moved into the kitchen to keep warm. One room they used for living room, bedroom, and kitchen. The trailer served as a bath-dressing room for more than a year. There were no running water, gas, lights, or telephone. For two years drinking water was hauled from town. Not until 1943 was the last of the utilities acquired.

Meanwhile the house began to take shape. The Smiths finished the second room for a bedroom, then added a frame farm office and storeroom which became another bedroom to



TODAY After 10 years of gradual remodeling—remodeling that is still going on as you read this story—this is what the Smiths have developed from a two-room shack. Shutters, windows and frames, the front door, and much of the siding were saved from the wreckage of the main plantation house

Black indicates original house. Gray shows size of first addition. Red outlines latest changes. Future additions and changes will be at the rear

accommodate the family, which increased from three to six.

"As fast as we'd finish the house, here would come another baby and that would mean another bedroom," Mrs. Smith explains. "So the place grew with the family."

Whenever Mrs. Smith was blue, she would slip out to the barn. There, on the rafters, was her electric dishwasher. Though there was neither water nor power, she had dreamed:

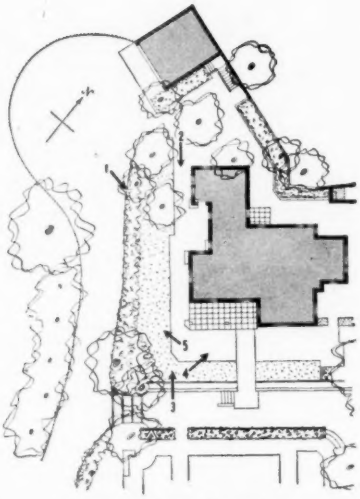
"I may wash dishes in cistern water, but just to look at my electric machine will be orchids for my soul while I wait."

The dishwasher is installed now. In 10 years the house has quadrupled in size, and the foliage has grown to link the house with its setting of cedar and cypress. Remodeling is still going on, as the Smiths continue to use the technique they have learned—of stretching their money with time.

Except for mantel and paneling salvaged from the big house, fireplace has not changed in 100 years. Spider on hearth was Mrs. Smith's only oven for two years

Packed with color all summer and

1. Your first view after a short climb—this delightful low red house behind a garden all gold and blue



Arrows show how photographs were taken, numbers correspond to those on pictures

2. Rose on house is Dr. Van Fleet; yellow one on fence is Lady Forteviot, though you can get the effect in cold areas with Buff King. Sanded path has stones sunk flush

easy to keep

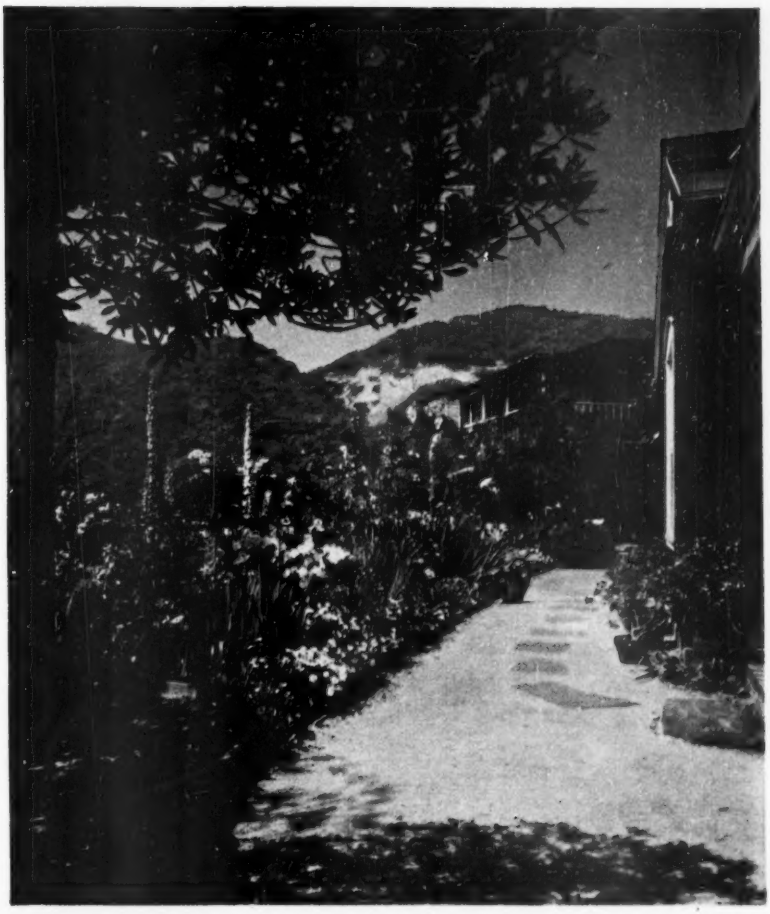
By Fleeta Brownell Woodroffe

Here's a garden exactly right for color and size—yet not a whit too elaborate to care for easily on weekends.

Florence Yoch and Lucile Council, busy landscape architects of Pasadena, California, planned it for themselves and used a very simple layout.

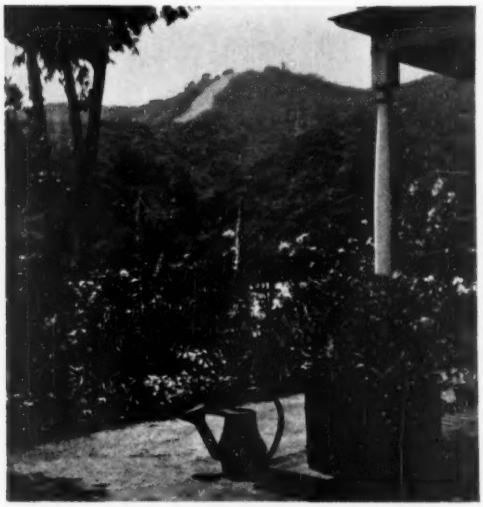
Look at the plan again, and you'll see that the garden itself is a simple L shape. The main path leads from the studio-garage. Onto this path open Dutch doors from the two main bedrooms. This gives real garden living with the wide flower border outside the path never more than a few steps away.

A redwood fence never needs painting. And see how uncluttered paths do set off the flowers and how these are massed—not dotted about ineffectively. It's intelligent planning of this kind that lets you garden easily.



3. Besides roses and irises, the long border contains delphiniums, gay Canterburybells, snapdragons, fiery geums, and a parade of glads and penstemons. A redwood strip holds back exuberant violas and pinks

4. Sanded path broadens into a terrace across the house front where the only grass lies—like twin rugs—with straight edges easy to mow. Potted geraniums carry the feel of the garden almost inside the door



5. Misty haze on the mountains beyond and a few small trees serve as backdrop, and add to the intimate charm of this little garden where all season long the color is kept right where it counts the most

Better Homes & Gardens plans color schemes from

Your favorite bedroom colors

By Christine Holbrook

If you're a man, chances are more than one out of three that your favorite bedroom color is blue. If you're a woman, chances are one out of five that you'd pick blue, too.

About a third of you—men or women—would choose yellow or green.

That's what you told us recently when we made a survey of the colors *Better Homes & Gardens* readers want in their homes.

Here are nine different color schemes planned around your favorites: blue, yellow, and green. Three schemes are based on each color. Different blues, yellows, and greens are included so you can find your favorite shade of your favorite color.

When we planned the color schemes we kept in mind that many of them would go into Mr.-and-Mrs. bedrooms. You won't see any schemes that would be too dainty to please a man or too robust to suit a woman.

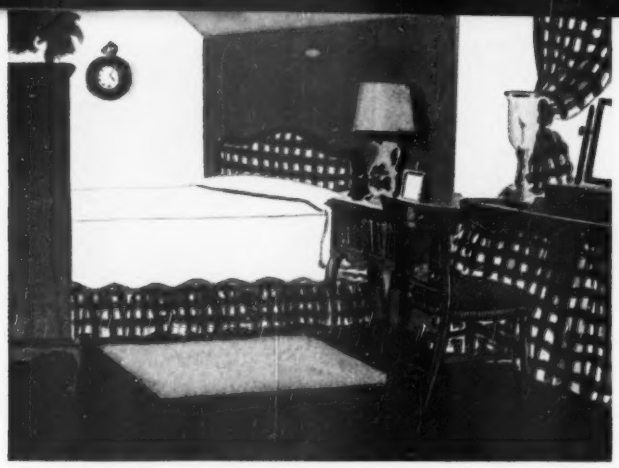
Any one of these schemes would fit any style—and any size—bedroom. Don't worry about putting a color scheme which we show in a Modern room into an Early American bedroom. The colors will work out.

As you look over the color schemes, watch for other decorating ideas. Notice the curtains and bedspreads, the sizes of the lamps, the styles of dressing-table skirts. Though these details were worked out for the rooms shown, you can use them in your own bedroom, too.

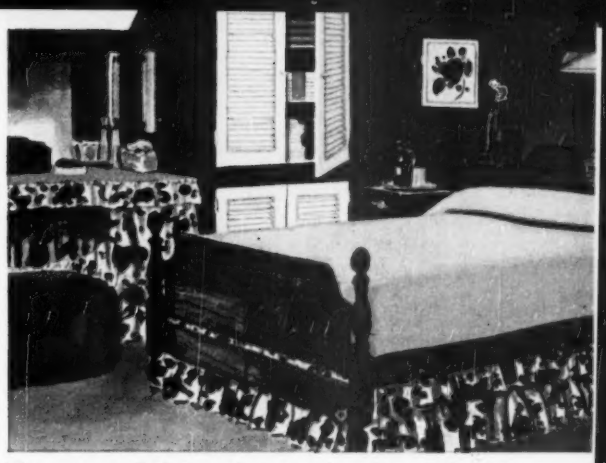
True yellow Sunny true-yellow scheme seems cooler, more livable when you add blue-green in the carpeting and on two walls. Gay plaid wallpaper with yellow-green stripes links the true yellow and blue-green

Warm yellow Mellowed, warm yellow flatters the ruddy colors of maple and cherry furniture. Orange tones make yellow seem warm, but a soft or subtle shade like this needs no special cool accents

Greenish yellow One color—in draperies, walls, slipcovers—blends a background together smoothly so it will make any bedroom seem bigger. Pillows accent scheme planned around greenish yellow

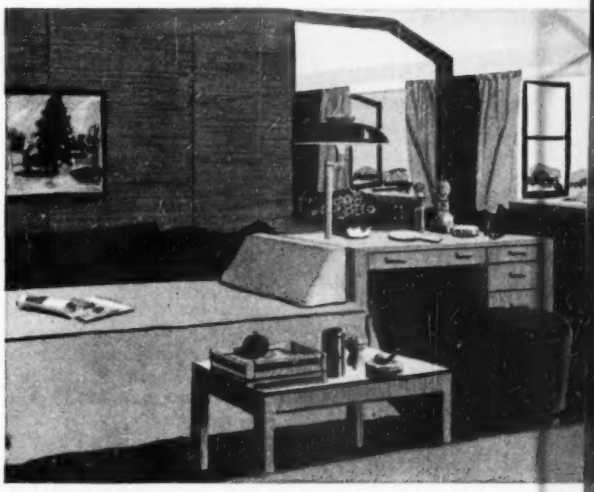


True blue Clear colors like true blue have a fresh air—just right in a countrified bedroom. See how white becomes part of the color scheme: White walls, white bedspread, and white checks relieve the vivid true blue



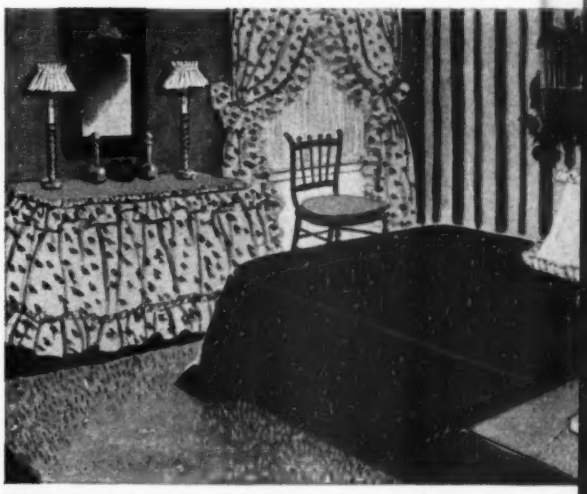
True green Bold chintz colors start a scheme. Leaves in the chintz are true green. So are the walls. Lighter greens bring variety. White of the chintz is repeated in woodwork

Gray-blue Grayed shades of blue, pink, and mauve blend to make a restful color scheme. Remember that in a subdued scheme like this the accessories, the lines of furniture, the fabric textures take on extra importance



Yellow-green Scheme with related shades of a basic color to give your bedroom a sitting-room look. Here olive-green blends into yellow-green and clear yellow

Violet-blue Color scheme from drapery material: Let violet-blue background be the wall and bedspread color. Pick red from drapery circles for the carpet. Accent drapery stripes with a green lamp shade



Blue-green Cool blue-green color scheme comes to life when it's warmed with peach. Mix light, medium, and dark tones of both peach and blue-green for a smart scheme

How to get more out of what you have

You don't have to be a magnate to use his methods.

Here are 12 inside tips from smart business operators to make your money buy the things you want—as valid for your family as for a Vanderbilt!

By Ray Giles

Imagine, tonight, a special meeting round your dining-room table. Some of the best brains in business are going to tell you how to get ahead at home. In your chair sits the president of a famous automobile company. Clustered about you are the purchasing executive of a railroad, the treasurer of a huge refinery, the personnel manager of a department store, plus cost accountants, forecasters, economists, production managers, and other specialists from successful businesses scattered all over the map.

They're going to put your affairs in such good order that you'll never again be in hot water. More important, they may even double your prosperity and the fun you get out of living. They will do all this by showing you 12 rules that can make either a home or a business a success. So open your mind to these 12 business rules. They can bring you success the same way they have brought it to businesses everywhere:

Know your real operating costs

Do you ever say, "I don't know where all the money goes!" Run your home like a business and you *will* know.

Too many families in financial difficulties don't know why they have money trouble. Often it's because they don't know the true cost of one thing or another. Analyze your "miscellaneous expenses" and you may find where money is going that might better be spent for real satisfaction.

Like millions, the Fullers added gas to oil to insurance and called it the cost of running their car. When Joe included annual depreciation, parking fees, and other overlooked items, the real cost was more than he had figured. Since the family really wanted its trips in the car, they cut out aimless driving and consolidated their shopping trips. This reduced their non-pleasure driving so much that their car cost dropped substantially.

The Johnsons, lavish entertainers, ended 1948 in a dither over expenses. When they kept a three-months' record of what they spent for entertaining—just to see—the total amazed them. "But look at all the fun it gives us!" wailed Emmy. Thinking it over, they remembered that the most delightful parties they'd been to in other homes weren't necessarily expensive. Sometimes they were simple affairs spiced with imaginative cooking, entertainment, prizes. There was the Johnsons' clue to better, more original parties on less.

Maybe you're thinking, "Sure, but we did keep detailed records when we were first married, so we know pretty well what we spend for this and that." *Past records can mislead you.* Between 1935 and 1948, for example, different kinds of foods rose at different rates of increase: meats, 155 percent; fresh fruits and vegetables, 125 percent; white bread, 64 percent. Only continuing records can tell you where you are now.

Have big objectives

Don't be afraid to aim at a profit. There's no fun or progress in just breaking even. Having high, vivid goals is the surest spur to good management, achievement, and happiness.

Your goal may even look like an extravagance. As a mousey couple left his gallery, an art dealer told me, "There go my most interesting customers. They have only a small home, but go inside and you'll find nearly $2,000 worth of paintings." Here's another home as modest as your own with a greenhouse that makes you envious, another with a swimming pool. Why envy your neighbors who go to Florida every winter or your cousin with the big library? Get an extravagant goal of your own and see how much easier it is to reach it than you ever thought possible.

In an age of small families, the Hallowells laugh when they're asked, "How on earth have you been able to give six children all those advantages?" They tell you, "When we married, we decided that having lots of children meant more to us than anything else, and we wanted that so much that every obstacle got out of the way."

Work for year-end surplus

If you usually end the year with a depleted checking account, why not, like the business executive, resolve to finish this year with a surplus? Bitter experience has proved that to have a surplus you need to overshoot the mark.

Like the Lengels, you may have found that shooting for a 10-percent saving rarely works. But when they aimed at 20 percent, the Lengels *did* save 10 percent.

The Arnolds, amply committed to life insurance and the purchase of government bonds, were [*Turn to page 122*

CAMPBELL'S CHICKEN SOUP
WITH RICE

Just as sure as you like chicken, you'll like Campbell's Chicken Soup! In the slow-simmered golden broth are fluffy rice and delicious pieces of chicken generously added. Try it in this simple summer menu:

Campbell's Chicken with rice Soup
Crackers Tossed Salad
Sponge Cake and
Fresh Sliced Peaches

SERVE SOUP AS YOUR

ONE HOT DISH

and

Snap your fingers at Stove-time!

CAMPBELL'S SCOTCH BROTH

Here's a hearty, stick-to-the-ribs soup of meat and vegetables, full of flavor and nourishment! Lots of tender pieces of mutton, and plenty of good barley. Serve it in this appetizing menu:

Campbell's Scotch Broth
Pimiento Cheese Sandwich
Radishes Sweet Pickles
Cantaloupe

CAMPBELL'S TOMATO SOUP

"The soup most folks like best!" Made to a matchless recipe . . . luscious red tomatoes, grown from special seed; fine table butter; and just a whisper of seasoning. For a delicious lunch or supper:

Campbell's Tomato Soup
Deviled Eggs Stuffed Celery
Sliced Ham Potato Chips
Fresh Raspberries

In each cool summer meal include one hot dish. The meal tastes better . . . and *is* better. Good, nourishing soup is ideal for this . . . delicious, and *easy!* It takes almost no time to fix . . . you and your kitchen stay *cool*. With the soup have salad or sandwiches, dessert—and there you are! Try these tempting summer menus.

Campbell's Soups

LOOK FOR THE RED-AND-WHITE LABEL

When summer heat waves come to town
I'm fresh and chipper-looking.
The weather never gets me down,
For Campbell's does my cooking!

For a harvest of good eating

Here's the garden in all its glory: corn on the cob, glossy eggplant, sweet, crisp peppers, big green-striped onions. They look pretty in the *garden*, and even more handsome on the *platter*.

The ham loaf, lower left, with its golden band of Horse-radish Mustard Sauce, is garnished with glazed squash rings. You cut acorn squash crosswise to get the scalloped slices.

The jumbo meat-stuffed onions are the main dish for the vegetable dinner, upper left. The cauliflowerets are served with hot mayonnaise, the carrots are glazed with brown sugar and honey, sprinkled with fresh min*

A patty-pan squash is steamed tender to make the hub of the garden plate, right. Around it, steaming roasting ears, thick slices of tomatoes fried in crusty crumbs and cheese, and cold cuts

The pepper boats, upper right, are filled with buttered corn off the cob and polka-dotted with pimiento. The eggplant is French-fried in long sticks instead of pan-fried in round slices. See page 83.

Now's the time for the garden to show off, and for you to show off the garden. Revel in the reds and golds, the wonderful fresh flavors, the downright goodness of the garden.

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High, cool chiffon pies

The perfect dessert for summer is a high, cool chiffon pie. It's dressed up, *looks* special, tastes wonderful; and it's cool yet filling enough.

Pick a flavor to suit your fancy. We have a Chocolate Sundae Pie, top left. Its crust is made with chocolate cookies and its decoration is crisp, shaved chocolate. The pie to the right with its whipped-cream topping poked full of toasted almonds has a rich, airy filling made with cocoa.

The tarts are peach chiffon. The cooky pie is lemon. The raspberry pie is an ice cream pie—and as easy as pie to make.

Below, cooling, easy-to-fix meals are the introduction to the *piece de résistance:* the high, cool chiffon pie.

Come Back for Seconds

MAIN DISH	VEGETABLES	SALAD OR ACCOMPANIMENT	DESSERT	NICE TO SERVE
Jellied Ham Salads* Deviled Eggs	Tray of Garden Vegetables Cauliflower Carrots With Lemon Green Beans With Mustard Sauce*	Toasted Garlic French Bread*	Peach Chiffon Tarts*	Iced Coffee or Lemonade

Cook cauliflower whole. Brown butter and add chopped water cress. Pour over cauliflower. Brush cooked carrots with butter, sprinkle with lemon juice and parsley. Cook green beans whole—arrange in bundles and pour Hot Mustard Sauce over. For pie garnish: Cut peach in quarters or sixths, split each section almost to ends, and pipe center with whipped cream as shown.

Pepper-Box Casseroles

Meat-Stuffed Green Peppers*	Buttered Green Limas	Honeydew Circles With Melon Balls Fruit Dressing	Chocolate Sundae Pie*	Iced Tea

Slice honeydew rings; pare and fill with chilled melon balls. Serve on bed of greens. Pass Fruit Dressing. Recipe page 91. Save up for dessert! Pie's the treat—fluffy vanilla filling chills in crust of chocolate wafer crumbs. Use coarse grater for long slivers of chocolate. See the pie at top left of page opposite. Pour hot, double-strength tea over chopped ice for clear iced tea.

The Cook Keeps Cool

Cold Cuts Horse-radish Sauce	Potato Salad Quick Baked Beans	Chilled Tomato Halves Mayonnaise	Toasted Almond Chiffon Pie*	Cups of Hot Consomme Wafers

For zippy sauce, fold 3 tablespoons drained horse-radish into ½ cup cream, whipped, and ½ teaspoon salt. Serve with meat. Add brown sugar, molasses, prepared mustard, salt and pepper to canned or glassed baked beans. Bake in greased casserole in moderate oven (350°) about 30 minutes. Sprinkle chilled tomato halves with minced parsley. The pie is made with cocoa.

Invited Guests

Tomatoes Filled With Tuna Salad	Corn on Cob Butter Pats	Crisp Sweet Pickles Hot, Buttered Parker House Rolls	Raspberry Ice Cream Pie*	Minted Pineapple Juice Salted Nuts

This is party food. Cut each ear of corn in thirds before cooking—makes for easier, daintier eating. Might have individual bowls of melted butter for dunking. Pie is a snap—just whip ice cream into raspberry-flavored gelatine. Fold in fresh berries. Chill until set. Serve whole berries for garnish. Use strawberries and strawberry gelatine instead of the raspberry if you prefer.

Taking It Easy

Water-Cress Sandwiches* Cups of Celery-Chicken Soup	Crisp Potato Chips	Relish Tray of Cucumber Slices, Radishes, Cauliflowerets, Ripe Olives	High Lemon Pie*	Iced Tea or Hot Coffee

Soup is the simplest, coolest way to provide the hot dish every summer meal should have. Combine 1 10½- or 11-ounce can each of condensed chicken soup and condensed celery soup. Add 1¼ cups of milk. Heat. Sprinkle each bowlful with paprika. Lemon Pie chills in crumb crust and takes no oven heat. Tuck in circle of whole vanilla wafers for decorative effect.

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Chef's Salad Bowl

The salad bowl – crisp, cool, fast to fix

By Frances O'Connor

The coolness and freshness a summer meal needs is in the salad bowl.

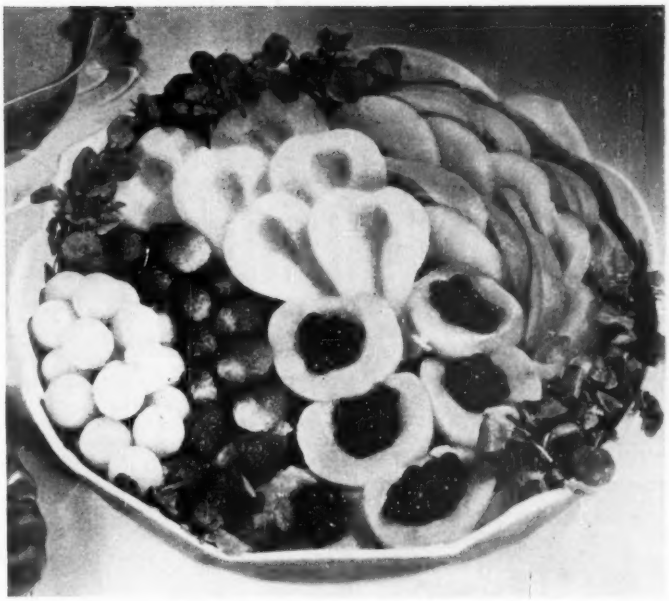
Into the big bowl, break chunks of lettuce; slice in cucumbers, green peppers, and radishes; crumble in Blue cheese. And last minute add the garlic dressing to make the salad glisten. (You have the Tossed Salad Bowl at the right.) Or fill the bowl with fruits—crisp melon balls, tart berries, and firm, sweet peaches and pears; line it with water cress.

Or do your salad chef-style with endive, water cress, lettuce, quarters of tomatoes, and anchovies. If you want the salad to be the main dish, have chicken salad: tender pieces of chicken, almonds, egg slices, and seedless grapes. Or Big Supper Salad: Vegetables and sticks of ham on chunks of lettuce, and served with mayonnaise pepped up with mustard and horse-radish. The recipes are on page 90.

A salad's what you make it. So make it as cool as the refrigerator, as crisp and fine-flavored as the fresh fruits and vegetables of summer.

Tossed Salad Bowl

Molded Cucumber Salad



Fruit-Bowl Salad

Chicken-Almond Salad

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Big Supper Salad

Ironing made easy

By Isabel McGovern

New ironers save you time and energy. With a little practice, you'll have perfectly ironed clothes

Men's shorts, two at a time. One leg is tucked inside other, crotch seams together; then smoothed out. The flat plate covers an area equal to that of 11 hand irons. It's speedy for pressing. Finger-tip operation leaves one hand free. This ironing board absorbs steam and condenses moisture in an easily emptied cup.

Pleats. With a series of pleats, pin them to roll. (Place pins under material to prevent marring shoe, and face pleats toward you.) Apply pressure when pleated section is under shoe. Shoe "guardrail" insures finger protection. Back and forth motion of the shoe dries damp and heavily starched articles quickly.

Here's an appliance that does the job while you sit by and guide the work.

An ironer is a combination of the familiar ironing board and the heat-controlled iron. The ironing board may be a flat surface (flat-plate ironer) or it may be a roll (rotary ironer). The iron part is called a shoe. Because its surface is many times that of a hand iron, you iron more area with a single contact. Some shoes are over the ironing surface—some under it.

You can pick a portable or stationary ironer—uncovered or covered with a baked-enamel-on-steel or furniture-like cabinet. You sit down with all of them, using your finger tips to guide the position of the garment. Your knees, hands, or feet control the levers which start and stop the ironing action. With many ironers you can select a slow or fast ironing speed.

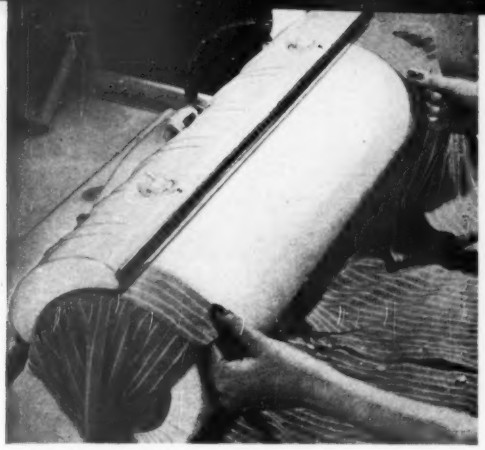
With practice, you'll find that your results are as finished as when hand ironed. Be sure to follow the manufacturer's book of directions—it will help you gain confidence. After awhile you will probably develop your own simplified techniques.

See page 117 for beginners' tips

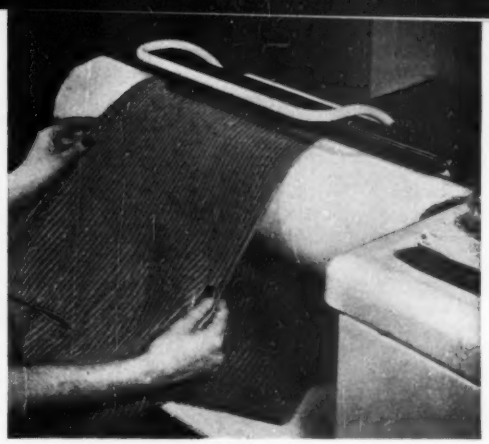
Steams velvets, corduroys. Damp towel goes over tilted hot shoe. After steam penetrates napped side, brush vigorously. This portable ironer has own table with lower shelf for storing ironer. Concealed fan removes steam from roll. Mesh-cooled chair is designed for comfort, correct posture.

Crease-free sleeves. A sleeve slips over this ironer roll easily and irons a single thickness. Roll is big enough for large flatwork ironing, too. Knee control starts and stops roll, opens and closes shoe. Roll can move either forward or backward according to your whim.

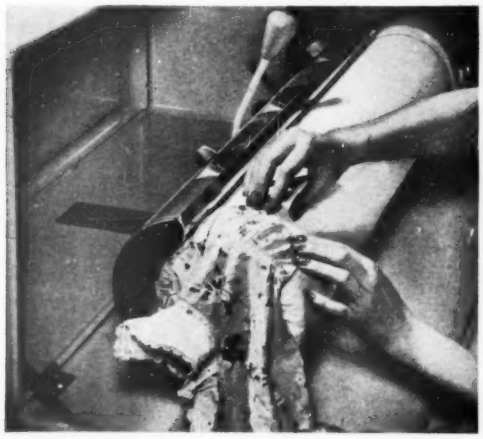
No storage worries with this portable ironer. When folded, it can easily be stored in a closet corner. You can roll ironer to whatever spot you choose for ironing. To open, unfold ironer, take wings out of bracket at rear, and latch them onto front and sides of the ironer. You're all ready to start.



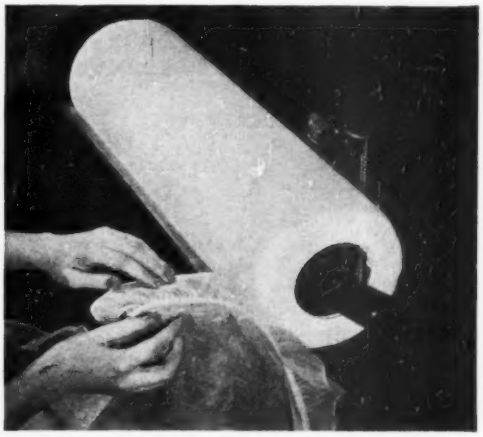
Cuffs are placed on both roll ends and held taut against roll to avoid wrinkles. This ironer has a continuous rotary, a back and forth, and a stationary pressing motion. To stop roll instantly, press foot pedal. Cabinet is permanently attached. Cabinet top is good work surface when not in use.



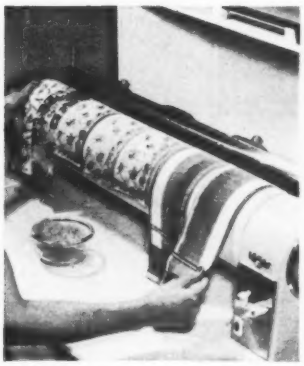
Tailor-pressed results. For trousers, match leg seams and iron each leg separately, then around top. Ironer has both finger-tip and knee control. Use the cabinet cover for work space (right). Ironer folds into its own table-top cabinet which can be fitted into kitchen counter area.



Tiny tots' togs. For perky puffed sleeves put band of sleeve and armhole together to form double ruffle. Place over end of roll slantwise so point of shoe can "nose" into fullness. Roll and shoe can be controlled by knee or finger tip. Cabinet has rubber bumpers on legs which protect walls and furniture.



Ruffled curtains. Ruffles are ironed first, then rest of curtain. Feed ruffles slantwise over pointed ironing shoe. You can work at either of fully open roll ends. Mahogany-finish cabinet (also available in a honey-blonde finish) is attractive enough to be kept in your living room or bedroom when not in use.



Small flat pieces. On 30-inch roll six or seven folded handkerchiefs can be ironed together on low speed. One more folding and ironing at high speed and they're done. Lapboard is a convenient spot for sponge and water used to touch up dry spots. Low speed is helpful for beginners, for extra damp pieces.

Foot-control bar brings the iron forward into contact with roll or releases it when pressed. Roll starts rotating automatically after this contact. When roll will be turning for some time, as for large flatwork, just a touch for starting and stopping is needed. There's plenty of knee room underneath the ironer.

Lingerie. Entire nightgown is ironed over roll with thread of fabric parallel to iron—just one thickness to avoid wrinkles. Ironer has swinging clothes rods (lower right) for hanging finished articles. Ruffler plates at both ends of shoe make simple work of frills. End plates add more space for ironed pieces.

Largest tablecloths and sheets are handled quickly. In ironer where shoe is beneath roll, embroidery is ironed right side up. This ironer can be adjusted to the most comfortable of three different heights for ironing.

Half and Half

Wilted spirits revive when you pass this beauty. Mounds of strawberry and vanilla ice cream float side by side in Frozen Strawberry Sauce. On top, there is a big spoonful of fluffy whipped cream and a red maraschino cherry

Super sundaes

By Genevieve Callahan

For sundaes, parfaits, frozen-fruit refreshers any day of the week, San Francisco ice-cream lovers flock to Blum's. Super combinations of rich ice cream, smooth, thick sauces, and fresh fruits like the ones shown here have made Blum's famous.

You can make these five Blum specialties at home. You won't need any special equipment. Just use what you have on hand—ice cream scoop or stout spoon, parfait glass or tumbler, shallow sundae boat or dessert plate. The recipes tell you how to make the creamy smooth Thick Fudge, Marshmallow, Mint, and Fruit Sauces.

Pass a tray of these frozen creations for dessert, evening refreshments, or as an afternoon cooler. See how they dazzle your friends and family.

Ice cream tips: To store ice cream in refrigerator, slip it out of carton into freezing tray. Store in freezing section but not at coldest temperature so ice cream won't be over-hard.

To get ice cream out of a quart-size cylindrical carton, split carton lengthwise with sharp knife. Open it out, and ice cream's in a neat roll.

You can remove ice cream from a pint-size cylindrical carton by taking off lid and loosening ice cream from sides of carton with knife blade. Then push bottom of carton right through, forcing the ice cream out.

Double Decker Fudge Sundae

Teen-agers go for this. Put hot Thick Fudge Sauce in bottom, cover with scoop of chocolate ice cream. Swirl on Marshmallow Sauce; then add a scoop of peppermint-stick ice cream. Poke mint on top. Pass hot Thick Fudge Sauce

Super sundae sauces on page 81

1. Fill a tall glass about ¾ full of chilled, canned pineapple juice. Have a long iced-tea spoon handy

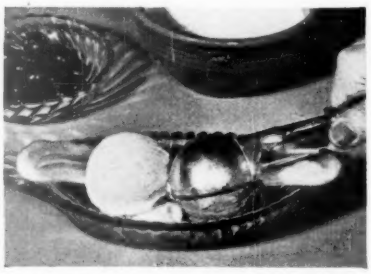
Sip Happy

Pineapple juice, fresh-frozen raspberries, hydrogenated with float of fresh-frozen lemon.—Blum's menu

1. Pour 1 to 2 tablespoons Mint Sauce in glass. Add 2 or 3 spoonfuls of burnt-almond ice cream. Push ice cream down so Mint Sauce comes up around it

Blarney Equalizer

Essence o' mint, a smackin' wallop o' the ice cream o' the week, "new" Cold Chocolate Fudge, a smitherin' o' shredded toasted coconut, charlotte russe, and to top it all, a cherry, begorra. Erin go buy it!—Blum's menu



1. Cut peeled banana in halves lengthwise. Arrange end to end in sundae boat or dessert plate. Top with one scoop each of vanilla ice cream, raspberry ice

Light Bite

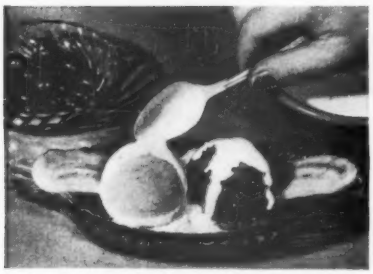
Sliced fresh banana, French vanilla ice cream and fresh-frozen raspberry ice with Marshmallow Sauce, topped with charlotte russe and onihcsaram, spelled backward, cherry. —Blum's menu

2. Add a large spoonful of strawberry or raspberry ice. Stir till ice is well mixed but still thick and mushy

3. Top with fat spoonful of lemon ice. Sip and eat with straw and spoon. This cooler doubles for dessert

2. Cover ice cream with cold Thick Fudge Sauce. Add more burnt-almond ice cream; press down into fudge sauce. Fill the glass to the top with ice cream

3. Swirl a big scoop of sweetened whipped cream over top of the sundae. Drift generously with lightly toasted coconut and crown with a maraschino cherry



2. Drizzle a large spoonful of thinned Marshmallow Sauce over the top of the twin mounds of ice cream

3. Decorate ends and top with puffs of whipped cream. Top with maraschino cherry half or a raspberry

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Contest for cooks

You have 21 chances to win

New recipe contest opens, giving your cheese and molded-salad recipes a chance to win in Cooks' Round Table next March.

You have 21 chances to win. First prize is $10; next 20 prizes are $3 each. The eight best recipes are published, with the name of the cook printed on each.

Cheese dishes for March include your best cheese soufflé, sauce, fondue, rabbit, or torte. If you have a macaroni and cheese recipe that is special—mail it in. Tell us about your unusual cheese combinations, like cheese-ham casserole and cheese-tuna roll.

But don't stop with main dishes—cheese finds a place in breads, desserts, and vegetables. And what about cheese in salads—a tossed green salad with Swiss cheese cubes, a cream cheese-gelatine mold.

Maybe your specialty is cheese muffins or soup with cheese. Anything good that features cheese is in the running for prizes!

Molded salads are recipe contest teammates to cheese. Decide which is your very best molded salad recipe, and send it in. It may be a fruit, vegetable, macaroni, or meat mold—it can be sweet or tart, hearty or delicate. Maybe your favorite is a black cherry gelatine, a tuna salad mold, a chicken salad loaf, a jellied cabbage salad.

And remember, the winners of these 21 prizes will receive the *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement, and six copies of the endorsed recipe.

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper. Send but one recipe at a time and mark it, "March Cheese Dishes" or "March Molded Salads."
2. Print your full name and address clearly in upper right corner of recipe page.
3. Give measurements in level cups, tablespoons, and teaspoons, never in heaping or scant measurements.
4. Be sure to specify in your recipe the brand names of the nationally known food products you use as ingredients—products available everywhere. We must know them so we can test your recipe with the same brands you use.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the history or origin of your recipe.
6. All recipes submitted become the property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, August 31.
8. Address the recipes you enter to 5408 Tasting-Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

This month's winners

Cook-of-the-Month is Mrs. Robert D. Phillips of Villisca, Iowa. Her Mint-Chip Ice Cream is a smooth, cool green ice cream rich with chocolate flakes. Mrs. Phillips experimented until she perfected this recipe, which "never fails to arouse comment, even from the sometimes unobserving male animal," she says.

Another delicious ice cream recipe obtained by trial and error is Mrs. R. A. Johnson's Orange-Apricot Sherbet.

An unusual frozen dessert you'll also enjoy is Mrs. C. G. Goodchild's Frozen Lemon Dessert with a brunette topping of graham-cracker crumbs.

Mrs. E. L. Pott contributed our winning Banana Ice Cream. If you like bananas and if you like ice cream, you'll like this pleasing combination of the two.

Top-ranking tomato recipe is Mrs. Custer Arnett's Skyscraper Salads. She puts three tomato slices together with tuna salad between.

Other stuffed-salad stars are Mrs. L. I. Daetiveler's Tomato Roses and Mrs. Louis Carr's Stuffed Tomato Salad. Mrs. Daetiveler fills her tomatoes with a crisp cabbage, cucumber, celery, green-pepper toss, and Mrs. Carr fills hers with a hearty meat mixture.

A tossed salad winning an award is Mrs. F. L. Adkins' Caesar Salad. She combines endive, diced tomatoes, and anchovy fillets with a garlic-seasoned Italian dressing.

Other good cooks are listed on our Honor Roll below.

Honor Roll

Mrs. F. L. Adkins, Jr., El Paso, Texas.
Mrs. Allan N. Anderson, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
Mrs. Louis F. Andersen, San Fernando, California.
Mrs. Custer Arnett, Lexington, Kentucky.
Mrs. Louis J. Carr, Lake Mahopac, New York.
Mrs. Douglas Christenson, Muskegon, Michigan.
Mrs. L. I. Daetiveler, Wichita, Kansas.
Mrs. C. G. Goodchild, Springfield, Missouri.
Miss Betty Gwinn, Anderson, Indiana.
Mrs. Stanley Haste, East Walpole, Massachusetts.
Elizabeth Howser, Colorado Springs.
Mrs. R. A. Johnson, Poplar, Montana.
Mrs. John Lehmann, Everett, Washington.
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Mrs. John Miller, Dover, Ohio.
Mrs. Andrew Olberding, Earlville, Iowa.
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Mrs. Howard Spaulding, Madison, Indiana.

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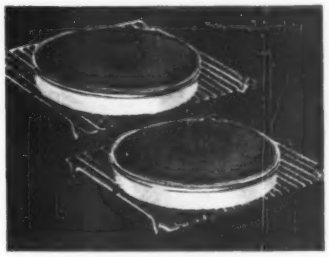
BAKING HINTS FOR CREOLE CHOCOLATE CAKE

1. You add all the liquid in the first mixing of this cake

2. Guide batter into beaters with rubber scraper for thorough mixing



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This recipe developed for SOFTASILK CAKE FLOUR ONLY! Follow It Exactly And Make An Ideal Cake.

For success—do these first: Have *all* ingredients room temperature. *Preheat* oven to 350° (moderate). Grease *generously* and dust with flour 2 round layer pans, 8-in. diameter, 1¼-in. deep. Measure *level* with standard measuring cups and spoons. *Sift* SOFTASILK then spoon *lightly* into cup and level off. *Do not pack.*

Just before starting to mix cake, pour ⅔ **cup boiling strong coffee or water** into 1½ **sq. unsweetened chocolate (1½ oz.), melted.** Mix well and cool.

Sift together into bowl . . . **1¾ cups *sifted* SOFTASILK Cake Flour**, **1½ cups sugar**, **1 tsp. double-action baking powder**, **1 tsp. soda**, **1 tsp. salt**, **¾ tsp. cloves, if desired**

Add . . . . . ***⅔ cup (¼ cup plus 2 tbsp.) high grade shortening**, **the cooled chocolate mixture**, **½ cup buttermilk or sour milk**, **½ tsp. vanilla**

Beat vigorously with spoon for 2 minutes by clock (about 150 strokes per minute). You may rest a moment when beating by hand; just count actual beating time or strokes. *Or* mix with electric mixer on *medium speed* for 2 minutes. Scrape sides and bottom of bowl constantly.

Add . . . . . **½ to ½ cup unbeaten eggs (2 medium)**

Continue beating 2 more minutes, scraping bowl constantly. Pour batter into prepared pans. Bake *30 to 35 minutes* in *moderate oven* (350°). Frost, when cool. Icing recipe below.

*Such as Crisco, Spry, Swift'ning or Snowdrift.

WHITE MOUNTAIN ICING—Stir until well blended in small saucepan, 1½ cup sugar, ¼ cup white corn syrup, 2 tbsp. water. Boil rapidly until mixture spins 6 to 8-in. thread (242°). When mixture begins to boil, start beating . . . 2 egg whites. Beat until stiff enough to hold a peak. Pour hot syrup slowly in a thin, steady stream into beaten egg whites, beating constantly with electric or rotary beater until mixture stands in *very stiff* peaks. Blend in ½ tsp. vanilla.

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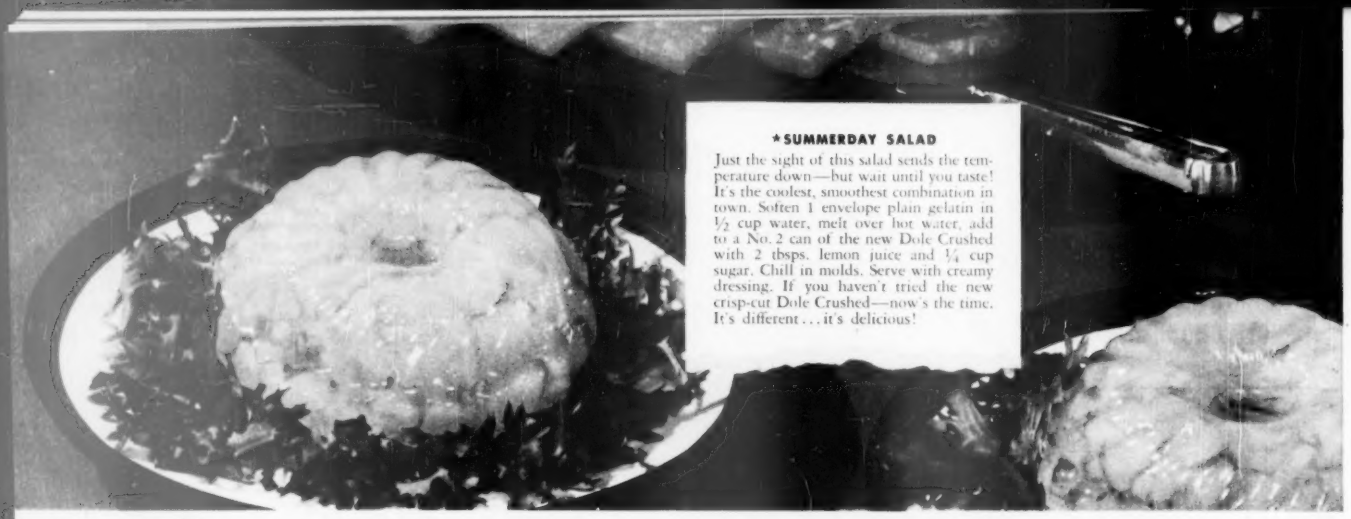
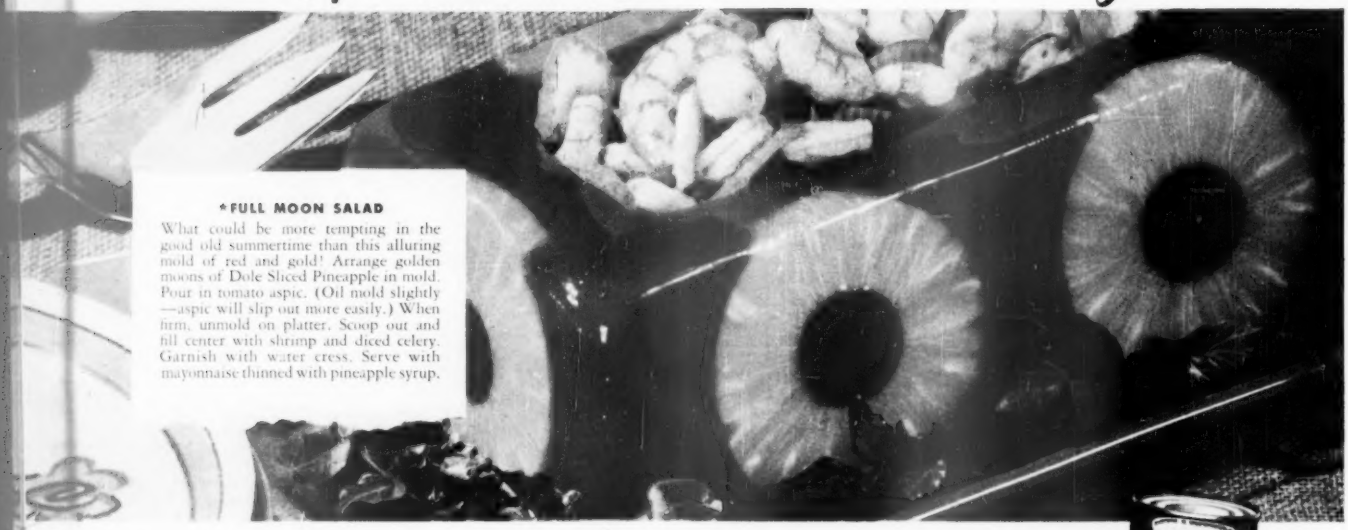


***SUMMERDAY SALAD**

Just the sight of this salad sends the temperature down—but wait until you taste! It's the coolest, smoothest combination in town. Soften 1 envelope plain gelatin in ½ cup water, melt over hot water, add to a No. 2 can of the new Dole Crushed with 2 tbsps. lemon juice and ¼ cup sugar. Chill in molds. Serve with creamy dressing. If you haven't tried the new crisp-cut Dole Crushed—now's the time. It's different . . . it's delicious!

Pineapple ideas for the salad days—



***FULL MOON SALAD**

What could be more tempting in the good old summertime than this alluring mold of red and gold? Arrange golden moons of Dole Sliced Pineapple in mold. Pour in tomato aspic. (Oil mold slightly—aspic will slip out more easily.) When firm, unmold on platter. Scoop out and fill center with shrimp and diced celery. Garnish with water cress. Serve with mayonnaise thinned with pineapple syrup.

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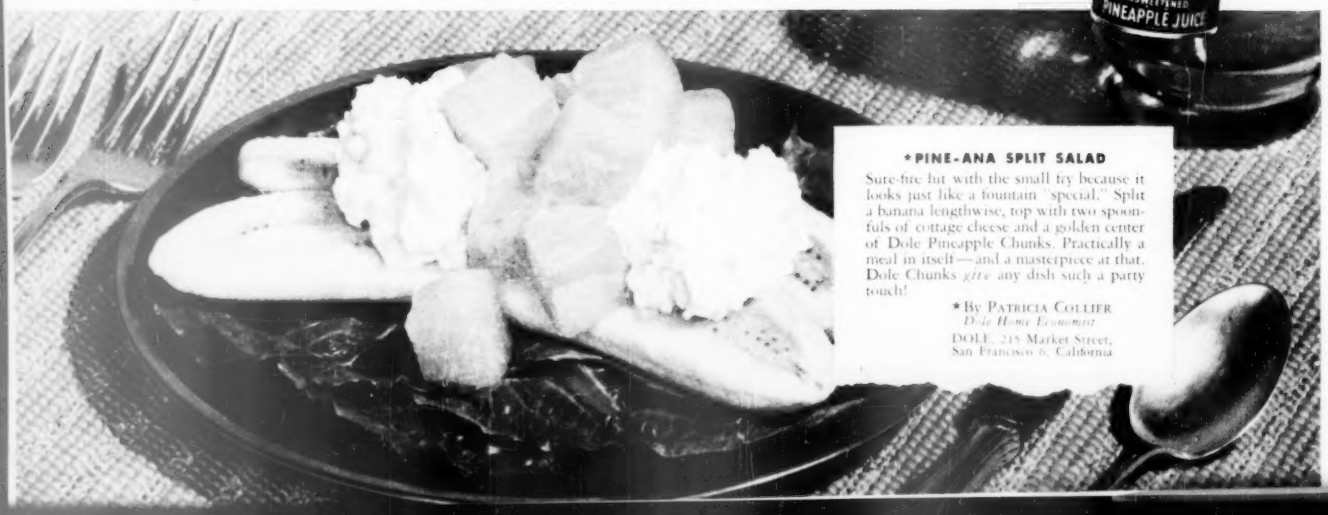

***PINE-ANA SPLIT SALAD**

Sure-fire hit with the small try because it looks just like a fountain "special." Split a banana lengthwise, top with two spoonfuls of cottage cheese and a golden center of Dole Pineapple Chunks. Practically a meal in itself—and a masterpiece at that. Dole Chunks *give* any dish such a party touch!

*By Patricia Collier
Dole Home Economist

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TOMATO SALADS

Stuffed-Tomato Salad

It's a hearty salad, really can make the meal—

- 6 medium tomatoes
- 1 cup diced luncheon meat
- ½ cup chopped celery
- 1 hard-cooked egg, chopped
- ⅓ cup chopped California walnuts
- ⅓ cup mayonnaise
- 3 tablespoons cream
- 2 teaspoons vinegar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon dry mustard
- ⅛ teaspoon curry powder

Cut a slice from each tomato; scoop out part of center; sprinkle with salt and turn upside-down to chill. Combine meat, celery, egg, and walnuts. Blend together remaining ingredients. Add half of dressing to meat mixture. Fill tomatoes. Top with remaining dressing. Garnish with pimiento strips. Serve on crisp lettuce. Serves 6.—*Mrs. Lewis J. Carr, Lake Mohopac, New York.*

Caesar Salad

A favorite with the men: crisp greens, crunchy toast cubes, and a different dressing—

- 1 clove garlic
- ½ cup salad oil
- ½ head lettuce
- ½ bunch curly endive
- 1 cup croutons
- 1 2-ounce can anchovy fillets
- 3 or 4 tomatoes, diced
- 1 beaten egg
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

Mash garlic and add to salad oil; let stand. Break lettuce in bowl; tear endive. Add croutons, anchovies, and tomatoes. Strain salad oil to remove garlic. Pour over vegetables. Combine remaining ingredients; beat well. Pour over salad and toss lightly. Garnish with sliced tomatoes. Serves 6.—*Mrs. F. L. Adkins, Jr., El Paso, Texas.*

FROZEN DESSERTS

Tomato Roses

A crisp slaw fills these tomato salads—

- 6 medium tomatoes
- 2 cups shredded cabbage
- ½ cup diced cucumber
- ½ cup diced celery
- ¼ cup chopped green pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- ½ cup salad dressing
- 1 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 2 tablespoons vinegar

Peel tomatoes and cut in sixths. Combine vegetables, salt, and paprika. Combine remaining ingredients; pour over vegetables and toss lightly. Fill tomatoes. Serve on crisp lettuce.—*Mrs. L. I. Daetweiler, Wichita, Kansas.*

Cooks' Round Table of Endorsed Recipes

Frozen Desserts

Mint-Chip Ice Cream

Smooth, rich mint ice cream with flecks of crisp chocolate—

- 1 cup cold water
- ¼ teaspoon peppermint extract
- Few drops green food coloring
- 1 15-ounce can (1⅓ cups) sweetened condensed milk
- 1½ 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate, coarsely grated
- 2 cups heavy cream, whipped

Combine water, extract, and green coloring; add to sweetened condensed milk and mix well. Add chocolate. Fold in whipped cream. Pour into refrigerator trays and freeze. Turn frozen mixture into chilled bowl and beat smooth. Return to cold trays. Freeze firm. Makes 2 quarts.—*Mrs. Robert D. Phillips, Villisca, Iowa.*

Banana Ice Cream

Smooth and rich but takes no cream—

- 1 cup mashed ripe bananas
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1/4 cup light corn syrup
- 1 14½-ounce can (1¾ cups) evaporated milk
- 2 slightly beaten egg yolks
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 stiff-beaten egg whites

Combine bananas and lemon juice. Add lemon peel, syrup, milk, egg yolks, and ¼ cup of the sugar. Mix well. Pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze until mushy. Remove to chilled bowl and beat until fluffy. Gradually beat remaining ¼ cup sugar into stiff-beaten egg whites. Fold into banana mixture. Return to refrigerator tray. Freeze firm. Makes 2 quarts.—*Mrs. E. L. Pott, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.*

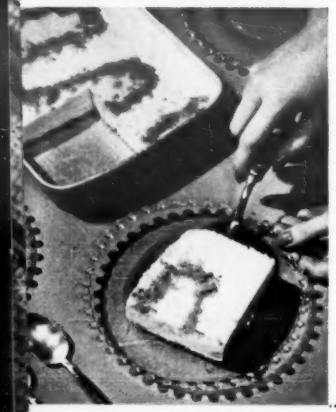
Orange-Apricot Sherbet

This is a quick-change recipe—you can make ice cream as well as sherbet with it—

- 18 marshmallows, cut in eighths
- 1 cup orange juice
- 1 cup apricot syrup
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- ¾ cup apricot pulp
- 2 cups light cream, or top milk
- ½ cup sugar

Combine marshmallows, orange juice, apricot syrup, and salt. Stir over low heat until marshmallows dissolve. Add apricot pulp. Cool. Pour into refrigerator trays. Freeze until mushy. Whip cream until frothy. Beat in sugar. Fold in apricot mixture. Return to freezing trays and freeze firm. Makes 2 quarts.—*Mrs. R. A. Johnson, Poplar, Montana.*

Note: If canned apricots are used, you'll need 1 No. 2½ can apricots. If you want ice cream instead of sherbet, use heavy cream.



Frozen Lemon Sherbet Pie

Lemon sherbet in a graham cracker crust—

- 3 egg yolks
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon peel
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped
- 3 stiff-beaten egg whites
- ½ cup graham cracker crumbs

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored; gradually beat in sugar. Add lemon juice and peel and salt. Fold in whipped cream and stiff-beaten egg whites. Cover bottom of refrigerator tray with ¼ cup crumbs. Pour in sherbet mixture. Top with remaining crumbs. Freeze firm. Makes 2 quarts.—*Mrs. C. G. Goodchild, Springfield, Missouri.*

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TOMATO SALADS

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Tomato Salads

Skyscraper Salads

Serve tuna filling between layers of red tomato—

- 6 medium tomatoes
- 1 7-ounce can (1 cup) tuna, flaked
- ¼ cup chopped olives
- ⅓ cup mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- Dash of cayenne

Peel tomatoes; cut each in 3 slices. Sprinkle slices with salt. Combine remaining ingredients. Arrange tomato slices on crisp lettuce; top with tuna mixture, then with second tomato slice, then tuna mixture. Top with tomato slice; garnish with sprig of water cress. Serves 6.—*Mrs. Custer Arnett, Lexington, Kentucky.*

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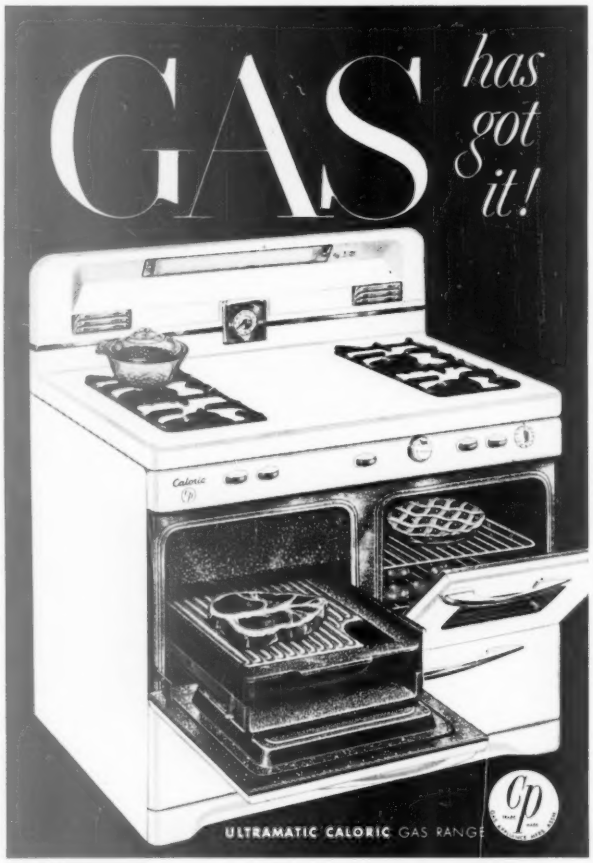

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Spiced Peaches. Scald freestone peaches, dip in cold water, and peel. Place in salt bath, then rinse. Stick 3 whole cloves in each peach. Arrange peaches in hot sterilized jars. Tuck orange slices around the sides of the jar. Pour hot medium syrup over the peaches to within ½ inch of top. Seal at once. You will have tangy spiced peaches to serve with meals during the winter months

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To make the *medium syrup* called for in the recipes, use 1 cup sugar to each 2 cups water; stir until sugar dissolves. Heat syrup to boiling; boil 5 minutes. Then use as directed in recipe.

Sweet Pickled Peaches

Use 7 pounds small freestone peaches; peel. Pack in hot sterilized jars. Cover with hot syrup to ½ inch of top. **Syrup:** Combine 8 cups sugar, 2 cups vinegar, 2 cups water, 1 3-inch stick cinnamon, 1 tablespoon whole cloves, 2 small pieces gingerroot, and 2 blades mace. Cook 5 minutes. Pour over peaches. Seal. This recipe may also be used for pickling crabapples or pears.

Party Pears. Pare and core pears; place in salt bath; rinse. Cook in medium syrup 3 to 5 minutes. Place a whole maraschino cherry on each pear half. Pack pears in hot sterilized jars—stand some with blossom end up, next with stem end up. Pour syrup over pears and process in hot-water bath about 20 minutes. Remove and seal. You'll want several jars of these for midwinter fruit salads

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They got charm with Colonial furnishings

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In a small room accessories become doubly important. The shelves in the bookroom (also shown on page 43) were tastefully decorated with Eighteenth and Nineteenth Century china plates and figurines, and another model ship. Even the door hinges and latches have been copied from Colonial hardware

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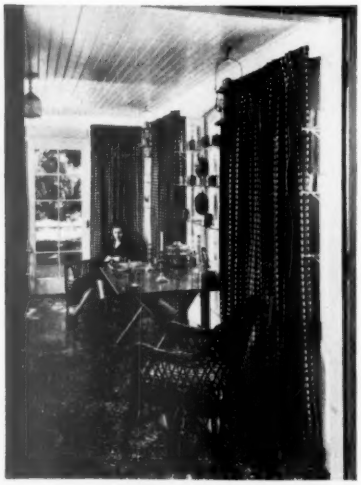
Genuine piece of Colonial furniture deserves a featured place. So with this block-front Chippendale desk attributed to John Goddard, a Rhode Island cabinetmaker in the 1770's. On it are a Sheffield silver desk set and a pair of Georgian candlesticks. Over the desk is an old gilt-framed portrait



On the porch, a collection of favorite brass molds and mugs dresses up the Tschudys' windows. Molds are hung on the window jambs; mugs stand on glass shelves set level with the divisions between the window panes. The pine trestle table that doubles for games and snacks holds more brass antiques

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Details dress up a porch

Brass mugs on glass shelves at the windows—pewter spoons in an old pine rack—prints hung on the clapboard walls: These are the details which make this simple glass-enclosed porch a charming extra living room. The Tschudys painted odd chairs alike to give them a living-room look. Then Mrs. Tschudy made floor-length draperies of gaily checked sailcloth, and they spatter-dashed the cement floor in the sailcloth colors. But it's the accessories which the Tschudys chose that keep the porch in tune with the rest of the house—and add that final inside-room touch.

Carefully chosen accessories add their charm to this porch corner. Pine spoon rack below window holds pewter spoons and forks. Brass oil lamp is wired for electricity. Brass sconces flank the shuttered kitchen window that's so handy for passing oven-hot food to the porch at lunchtime

Clapboard walls are a continuation of the outside wall, yet the prints and the hanging shelf over the washstand give the porch that well-dressed look of an inside room. Pine stand holds games, linens, and dishes. Three geraniums, grouped together on a brass tray, make a big splash of color—a good trick if you want to dramatize potted plants

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Super sundae sauces

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Fruit Sauces

Thaw a package of frozen strawberries, raspberries, pineapple, or other fruit. Heat ½ cup sugar and ¼ cup water; stir till sugar is dissolved. Cook 3 or 4 minutes; cool. Drain liquid from thawed fruit; add to cooled syrup; mix well. Add fruit. Serve over ice cream.

Thick Fudge Sauce

- 4 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate melted
- 2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
- 1 5⅓-ounce can (⅔ cup) evaporated milk
- 3 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon vanilla

Gradually add sugar to melted chocolate. Add milk and cook till smooth, stirring constantly. Add butter and salt. Cook until butter is melted, stirring occasionally. Add vanilla. Serve warm or store in covered jar in refrigerator. Reheat in double boiler before using. If too thick, thin with evaporated milk, cream, or hot water.

Mint Sauce

- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ¼ to ½ teaspoon mint extract
- 3 or 4 drops green food coloring

Combine sugar and water, stir till sugar dissolves. Boil 5 minutes. Remove from heat; add lemon juice, mint extract, and coloring to make a delicate green. Cool.

Marshmallow Sauce

Melt ½ pound (30 or 32) marshmallows over hot water. Thin slightly with hot water, coffee, crushed pineapple, or any fruit juice. Add dash of salt and drop of mint extract if desired. If you use prepared marshmallow sauce for sundae topping, thin with a little hot water to make a thick, syrupy consistency.

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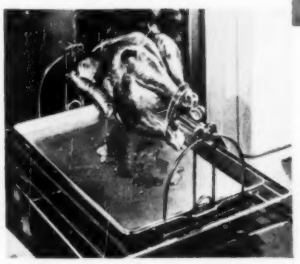

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FRENCH TOASTWICHES: Grind the last bits of roast lamb. Add chopped, browned onion; grated raw carrot; chili sauce; and chopped pickle. Spread between slices of day-old bread. Dip sandwich in seasoned mixture of milk and egg, slightly beaten. Brown on both sides in a little hot fat.

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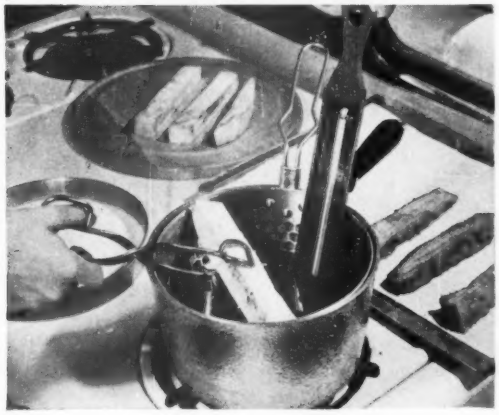

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French-Fried Eggplant

Cut eggplant in half; pare (top photograph). Slice ½ inch thick (center photograph). Cut slices in ½-inch strips. Soak in ice water 30 minutes. Dry. Dip in batter (bottom photograph): Sift 1 cup enriched flour with ½ teaspoon salt. Combine 1 slightly beaten egg, 1 cup milk, and 1 tablespoon melted fat; add gradually to flour mixture; beat until smooth. Dip strips of eggplant into batter. Fry in deep hot fat (365° to 375°) 2 to 5 minutes. Season. Serve hot. Serves 6. Tongs are handy tool for the job.

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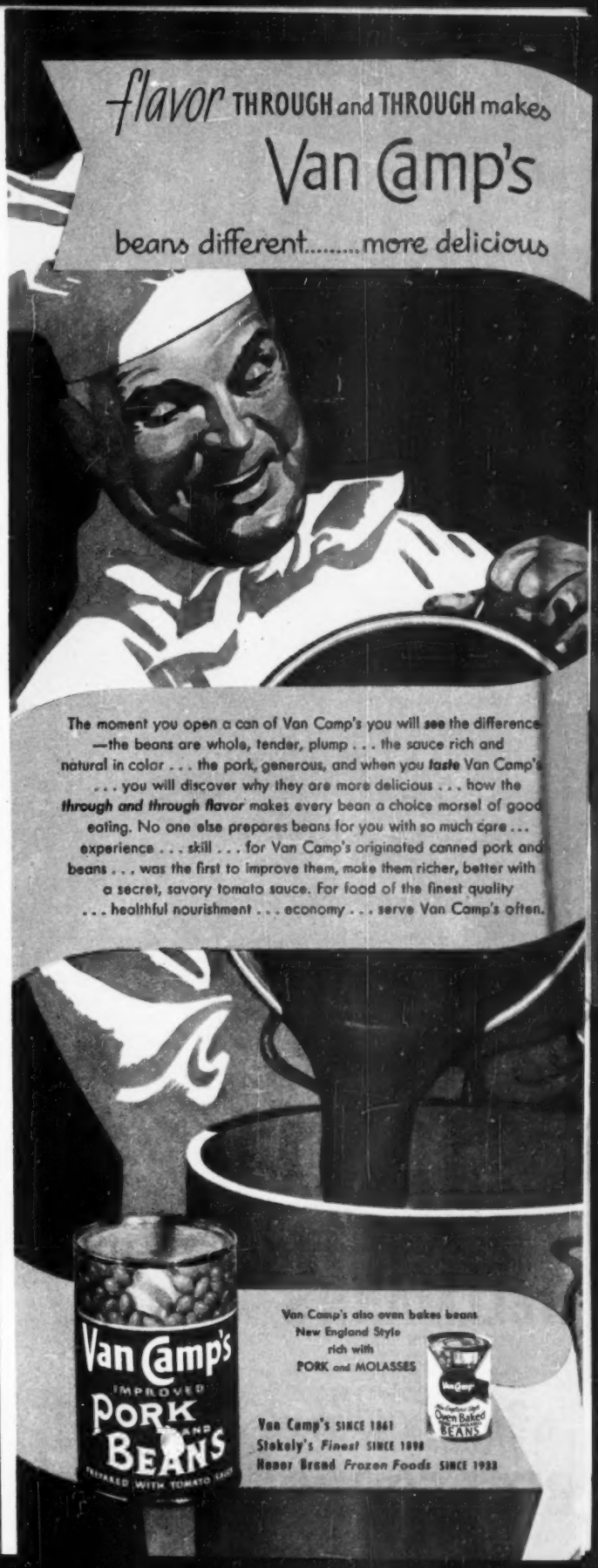

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Ham Loaf

Garnish baked loaf with a band of Horse-radish Mustard Sauce—

- 1½ pounds ground, smoked ham
- 1 pound ground pork
- ¾ cup cracker crumbs
- ⅓ cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 beaten eggs
- 1 cup milk

Combine ingredients; mix thoroughly. Press firmly in 6- by 9½-inch loaf pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 1¼ hours. Before serving top with **Horse-radish Mustard Sauce:** Combine 1 cup mayonnaise, 2 tablespoons prepared mustard, and 1 tablespoon well-drained horse-radish. Mix thoroughly. Serve over Ham Loaf.

Glazed Squash Rings

Cut crosswise for scalloped effect—

Wash and cut 2 or 3 acorn squash in rings; remove seeds. Arrange in 2-quart casserole. Season with salt and pepper. *Cover.* Bake in moderate oven (350°) until tender, about 40 minutes. Cream ¼ cup butter or fortified margarine with ⅔ cup brown sugar. Remove squash from oven. Sprinkle with sugar mixture. Bake uncovered until glazed, about 15 minutes. Serves 6.

Cauliflower With Cheese Sauce

The cheese sauce takes so little time and tastes so good—

Divide 1 head cauliflower into flowerets. Cook in boiling, unsalted water until tender. Season. Arrange on chop plate and top with **Cheese Sauce:** Melt 2 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine; add 2 tablespoons enriched flour and blend. Add 1 cup milk and cook over low heat until thick, stirring constantly. Season with ¼ teaspoon salt. Stir in 1 cup grated American cheese; stir until melted.

Stuffed Onions

Choose big ones so there's plenty of room for the meat stuffing—

- 6 large Bermuda onions
- ½ pound ground beef
- ¼ pound sausage
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion centers
- 2 tablespoons water

Cook onions in boiling, salted water 30 minutes. Drain and cool. Cut from top half way through onions; remove centers. Combine remaining ingredients. Stuff onions; place onions in muffin pans. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 minutes. Serves 6.

Garden Plate

Everything but the meat can be right from your own garden—

- 8 to 10 ears corn
- 1 summer squash
- 1-pound luncheon loaf, sliced
- 3 or 4 breaded tomatoes with cheese

Cook corn in small amount of salted water 6 to 12 minutes. Steam whole patty-pan squash in small amount of boiling, salted water in covered container about 40 minutes. Cut squash in 5 or 6 sections. **Breaded Tomatoes:** Cut 3 large, firm, peeled tomatoes in half; dip

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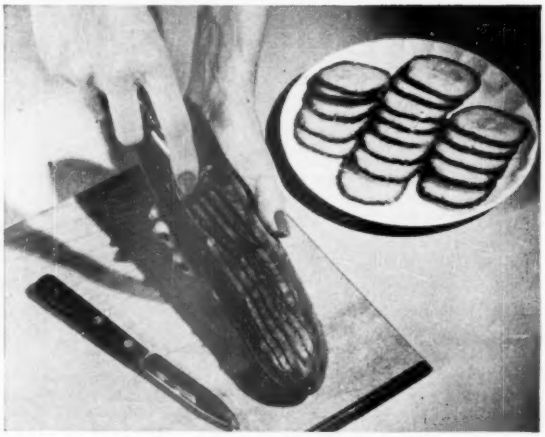
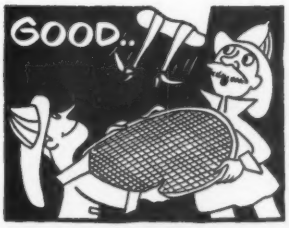
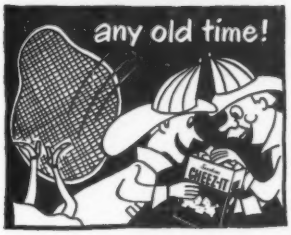
To decorate a cucumber



Stripe the unpared cucumber all around with the tines of a fork as shown. Don't be afraid to bear down. Then slice the cucumber, thick or thin as you prefer, for the relish tray.





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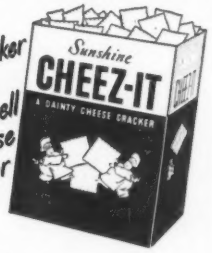

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into fine cracker crumbs, then into mixture of 2 beaten eggs, 2 tablespoons cream, ½ teaspoon salt, ⅛ teaspoon white pepper; and again into crumbs. Pan-fry in hot fat. When tomatoes are brown on both sides, sprinkle them with grated cheese and paprika. Cover pan. Cook over low heat to melt cheese. Serves 4 to 6.

Honey Carrots

They're shiny, have a wonderful brown sugar 'n' honey flavor—

- 10 to 12 small carrots
- 3 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley or fresh mint

Cook carrots in small amount of boiling, salted water 15 minutes or until tender. Melt butter; add sugar, honey, and carrots. Cook over low heat, turning until well-glazed. Sprinkle with chopped parsley or mint. Serves 4 to 6.

Corn-Stuffed Peppers

Pepper halves filled with fresh-cooked vegetables—

- 3 green peppers
- 3 to 4 cups fresh corn
- ¼ cup chopped green pepper
- ¼ cup chopped celery
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped onion
- 3 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
- 1 cup tomato juice
- Salt and pepper

Cut green pepper in half lengthwise. Remove seeds. Precook 5 minutes in boiling water; drain. Cook corn, onion, and green pepper in butter until corn is tender, about 10 to 15 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and heat thoroughly. Stuff peppers. Place in greased casserole; add small amount of water; cover. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 20 to 30 minutes. Garnish with bits of red pepper.

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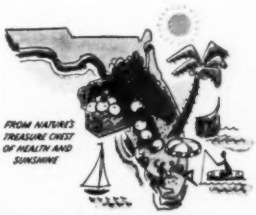

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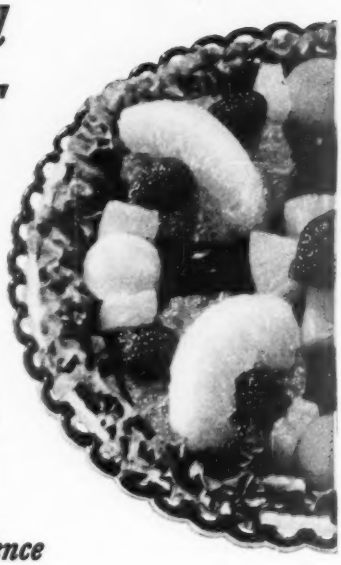

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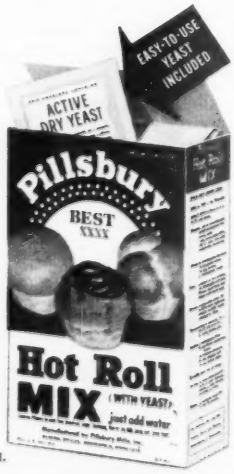

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Try freezing these

Melon balls in orange juice, cucumber slices, tomato combinations, squash

By Lucy Long and Donald K. Tressler

Here are new ideas for your late-summer freezing, ideas that take advantage of the fruits and vegetables which are now on the market or in your garden. In choosing fruits and vegetables for freezing, try to select them just at the peak of ripeness, and unbruised. Buy in small enough quantities so that you can freeze them right away. And be sure, also, to have the necessary preparation, blanching, and packaging equipment on hand. You'll find that the foods shown here taste just as good after freezing as they do fresh.

Melon balls in orange juice

Fill freezing containers with melon balls to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch from top. Then pour enough freshly reamed orange juice over melon balls to cover them. To serve, let melon balls thaw at room temperature.

Cucumbers

Freezing cucumbers is an idea from Sweden. Pare cucumbers, then cut paper-thin slices directly into freezing containers. Score cucumbers lengthwise with tines of fork for a scalloped effect. When ready to use, pour spiced vinegar over the frozen slices and let stand for a few minutes to thaw. Serve the frozen cucumbers while slices are still chilled.

Tomatoes and . . .

. . . whole kernel corn. Steam corn on cob 7 to 10 minutes, depending on size. Cool and cut whole kernels from cob. Wash, peel, and quarter tomatoes. Add ½ cup water and heat to boiling. Cool. Mix 2 parts of tomatoes with 1 part of corn. Spoon into containers and freeze.

. . . zucchini squash. Combine 4 cups peeled, quartered tomatoes, 4 cups diced zucchini squash, and 2 medium onions, coarsely cut. Cook 20 minutes with just enough water to prevent scorching. If freezer has separate freezing compartment, hot vegetables may be packed in aluminum-foil container and frozen immediately. If other containers are used, cool mixture, then package.

Acorn squash

Wash squash, halve, and remove fibrous center. Dot each half with butter and sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 20 minutes. When squash is cool, wrap and heat-seal each half in moisture-vaporproof wrap. Pack in large container and freeze. To serve, heat frozen squash halves right in the wrappers.

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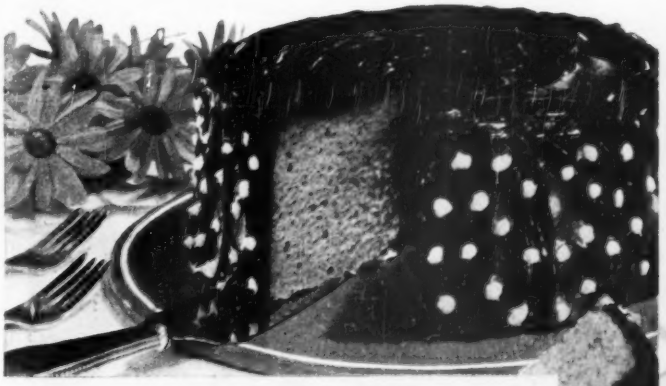

POLKA DOT SPICE CHIFFON

Heat oven to 325° (slow moderate) and...

1. In first bowl, sift together:

2¼ cups *sifted* Softasilk Cake Flour (spoon lightly into cup, don't pack)
1½ cups sugar
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon nutmeg
½ teaspoon allspice
½ teaspoon cloves

Make a well and add these:

½ cup Wesson Oil
5 unbeaten egg yolks (medium-sized)
¾ cup cold water

Beat with spoon until *smooth.*

2. In *large* second bowl put:

1 cup egg whites (7 or 8)
½ teaspoon cream of tartar

Beat into *very stiff* peaks, *stiffer than for meringue.* DO NOT UNDERBEAT.

3. Four egg yolk mixture *gradually* over beaten egg whites, *gently* folding with rubber scraper *just* until blended. DON'T STIR. Pour immediately into *ungreased* 10"x 4" tube pan. Bake 55 minutes at 325° then increase to moderate (350°) for 10 to 15 minutes, or until top springs back when *lightly* touched. Turn pan upside down, placing tube over neck of bottle. Let hang, free of table, until cold. Loosen sides and tube with spatula; turn pan over and hit edge sharply on table to loosen. Frost with—

CHOCOLATE CREAM ICING: Combine a 6-oz. *pkg. semi-sweet chocolate bits* and 1 *cup heavy cream* in saucepan over low heat. Stir constantly until chocolate melts. Bring to boil, then simmer about 1 minute. Cool to lukewarm. Add 1 *tsp. vanilla.* Beat about 2 minutes or until bubbles appear; refrigerate until thick enough to spread on cake. To decorate with polka dots: beat together 1 *cup sifted confectioners' sugar* and 3 *to* 4 *tsp. water.* Drop from end of spoon onto cake.

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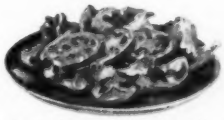

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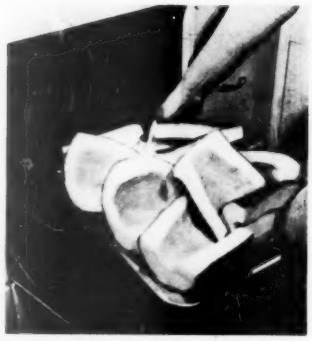
Zucchini squash

Bake zucchini squash before freezing for best results. Use only fully matured squash. Wash and cut into pieces (size shown at right), but leave on rind. Bake on large tray or broiler pan in moderate oven (350°) about 25 minutes, or until the centers of the squash are tender.



Remove squash from oven and cool to room temperature. Or, to hasten cooling, set pan of squash in front of electric fan. Scoop the baked zucchini out of rinds into a large bowl. For the best results in freezing zucchini squash, leave vegetable in spoon-size chunks (see above) rather than mashing it before filling the freezing cartons.

Pack freezing cartons full. To use frozen squash, thaw until vegetable can be removed from container, then season and heat thoroughly. Zucchini squash may be either mashed or whipped before serving.

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Chiffon pies

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Jellied Ham Salads

Make a big loaf and serve it buffet-style, or make little individual salads—

- 2½ cups ground, cooked, smoked ham
- 2 teaspoons horse-radish
- 2 teaspoons prepared mustard
- 1½ cups stock (ham, beef, or chicken)
- 2 bouillon cubes
- 1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatine
- ¼ cup cold water

Combine ham, horse-radish, and mustard; mix well. Combine hot stock and bouillon cubes; add gelatine, softened in cold water. Add to meat mixture; pour into individual molds; chill until firm. Garnish with deviled eggs and parsley. Serves 5 to 6.

Green Beans With Hot Mustard Sauce

The sauce is golden, has mustard and lemon juice for piquant flavor—

- ½ teaspoon dry mustard
- ½ teaspoon enriched flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 beaten egg yolks
- ¾ cup milk, scalded
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice or vinegar
- 3 cups hot green beans

Mix mustard, flour, and salt in double boiler; add egg yolks; beat well. Slowly add hot milk; cook until thick; add lemon juice. Pour over green beans. Serves 6.

Garlic French Bread

Hot and toasty to eat with salad—

Mince 1 or 2 cloves of garlic very fine; add ½ cup soft butter or fortified margarine; blend. Let stand about 30 minutes. Cut loaf of French bread into slices, leaving slices attached to one side of the loaf. Spread garlic butter between the slices and over the top. Heat in moderate oven (350°) 10 to 15 minutes. Serve hot.

Peach Chiffon Tarts

Orange peel and almond, and peaches 'n' cream flavor—

- 1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatine
- ¼ cup cold water
- 2½ cups sliced peaches
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ⅓ cup sugar
- Dash of salt
- 1 teaspoon grated orange peel
- ¼ teaspoon almond extract
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Soften gelatine in cold water; dissolve over hot water. Sieve peaches; there should be 1½ cups of the sieved fruit; add with remaining ingredients, except cream, to gelatine. Chill until partially set. Beat fluffy. Fold in cream. Pile in cooled tart shells. Chill. Garnish with more peach slices and whipped cream. Serves 6.

Meat-Stuffed Green Peppers

The stuffing's a mixture of browned onion, ground beef, corn, and tomatoes—

- 8 green peppers
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 tablespoons fat
- 4 medium-sized tomatoes, chopped
- 1½ cups cut, fresh corn (3 to 4 ears)
- Salt and pepper
- Buttered crumbs

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boiling, salted water; drain. Brown onion and meat in hot fat; add tomatoes, corn, and seasonings; stuff peppers and top with buttered crumbs. Stand upright in greased baking dish; add small amount of water. Cover. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 1 hour. Serves 8.

Chocolate Sundae Pie

The crust is chocolate cookies, the top shaved chocolate—

1 tablespoon (1 envelope) flavored gelatine
¼ cup cold water
3 slightly beaten egg yolks
½ cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
1 cup milk, scalded
1½ teaspoons vanilla
3 stiff-beaten egg whites
1 cup heavy cream, whipped
1 1-ounce square chocolate, slivered

Soften gelatine in cold water. Combine egg yolks, sugar, and salt; slowly add milk. Cook in double boiler until mixture coats spoon. Add softened gelatine; stir until dissolved. Cool; add vanilla. Fold in egg whites and cream. Pour into Chocolate-Wafer Crust; sprinkle with slivered chocolate. chill thoroughly. **Chocolate-Wafer Crust:** Blend 1¼ cups chocolate-wafer crumbs (about 20 wafers) with ⅓ cup melted butter. Press in 9-inch piepan.

Toasted Almond Chiffon Pie

Rich, airy cocoa filling, toasted almonds and whipped cream on top—

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatine
¼ cup cold water
¼ cup cocoa
½ cup sugar
⅛ teaspoon salt
1¾ cups milk
2 beaten egg yolks
½ teaspoon vanilla
2 stiff-beaten egg whites
½ cup heavy cream, whipped
1 9-inch pastry shell
1 cup heavy cream, whipped
1 cup toasted almonds

Soften gelatine in cold water. Mix cocoa, sugar, and salt in double boiler; add milk and heat until sugar dissolves. Add a little of the hot mixture to egg yolks; stir into remaining hot mixture. Cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add softened gelatine and vanilla. Chill until partially set. Fold in egg whites and ½ cup cream, whipped. Pour into cooled baked pastry shell; chill. Spread with whipped cream; sprinkle with almonds.

Raspberry Ice Cream Pie

You'll like the filling so well you'll serve it in sherbets sometimes—

1 package raspberry-flavored gelatine
1⅔ cups hot water
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 pint vanilla ice cream
1 cup crushed raspberries
1 9-inch pastry shell

Dissolve gelatine in hot water. Add lemon juice; chill till partially set. Beat ice cream into gelatine. Fold in raspberries. Pour chilled filling into cool baked pie shell. There's enough filling for a 9-inch pie. Chill the pie till firm, about 1 hour. Top with a fluff of whipped cream and garnish with whole berries. **Plain Pastry:** Sift 1 cup enriched flour and ½ teaspoon salt, cut in ⅓ cup shortening until pieces are size of small peas. Slowly add 2 to 3 tablespoons cold water, tossing with fork until mixture just holds together. Roll ⅛ inch thick. Fit into 9-inch piepan. Crimp edge. Prick bottom with tines of fork. Bake in hot oven (450°) 15 minutes. Serves 6.

Water-Cress Sandwiches

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4 tablespoons butter
Few grains salt
½ teaspoon finely minced onion
Water cress

Cream butter until fluffy. Add salt and onion; blend. Spread on slices of whole-wheat bread; top with sprigs of water cress, then with another buttered slice of bread. Cut in fingers or triangles. Makes about 18 finger sandwiches.

High Lemon Pie

Really high. And cool, fluffy, and refreshing—

4 beaten egg yolks
½ cup sugar
⅓ cup lemon juice
3 tablespoons orange juice
½ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatine
¼ cup cold water
½ teaspoon grated lemon peel
½ teaspoon grated orange peel
¼ cup sugar
4 stiff-beaten egg whites

Combine egg yolks, ½ cup sugar, fruit juices, and salt. Cook in double boiler until thick, stirring constantly. Add gelatine softened in cold water. Stir until gelatine dissolves. Add fruit peels; cool until partially set. Gradually add ¼ cup sugar to egg whites; beat until glossy and sugar is dissolved; fold into cooled mixture. Pour into Vanilla-Wafer Crust; chill until firm. **Vanilla-Wafer Crust:** Combine 1¼ cups vanilla-wafer crumbs (about 38 wafers) with ⅓ cup melted butter. Press firmly in greased 9-inch piepan. Chill till set.

The salad bowl

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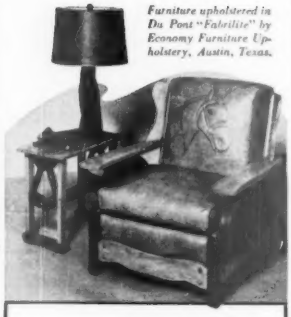
Chef's Salad Bowl

Break ½ head lettuce in bite-sized pieces in salad bowl. Add ½ bunch curly endive pulled in small pieces and 1 bunch water cress. Arrange 3 or 4 tomatoes cut in wedges and one 2-ounce can anchovy fillets over top. Pour over Garlic Dressing; toss lightly. Serves 6. **Garlic Dressing:** Shake together 1⅓ cups olive or salad oil, ½ cup vinegar, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1½ teaspoons salt, ½ teaspoon dry mustard, and 4 cloves garlic, sliced.

Molded Cucumber Salad

2 packages lemon-flavored gelatine
2 cups hot water
1 cup pineapple syrup
¼ cup lemon juice
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon onion juice
1 cup drained, crushed pineapple
¾ cup sliced stuffed olives
1 cup chopped green cucumber

Dissolve gelatine in hot water. Add pineapple syrup, lemon juice, salt, and onion juice; chill until partially set. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into oiled individ-



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ual molds; chill until firm. Unmold on water cress. Serve with lemon mayonnaise. For decorative top, arrange olive slices and wedges of pineapple, dipped in gelatine mixture, in bottom of mold before filling molds. Overlap cucumber slices around top of molds.

Tossed Salad

Break ½ head of lettuce into bite-sized pieces. Arrange in salad bowl lined with leaf lettuce or head lettuce. Add 1 cucumber, pared and sliced; ½ cup sliced radishes; and 1 green pepper, cut in slivers. Sprinkle with salt and freshly ground pepper and 2 tablespoons crumbled Blue cheese. Add French dressing. Toss. Serves 6.

French Dressing:

¾ teaspoon salt	¼ cup vinegar
1 teaspoon sugar	¾ cup salad oil
¼ teaspoon paprika	1 teaspoon minced parsley
⅛ teaspoon dry mustard	1 clove garlic, cut

Combine ingredients in bottle; cover, and shake. Makes 1 cup.

Chicken-Almond Salad

3 cups cubed, cooked chicken	1½ teaspoons salt
1½ cups diced celery	⅛ teaspoon pepper
3 tablespoons lemon juice	1 tablespoon capers
1 cup seedless grapes	¼ cup light cream
1 cup toasted almonds	1 cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon dry mustard	2 hard-cooked eggs, sliced

Combine chicken, celery, and lemon juice. Chill 1 hour. Add grapes and almonds. Combine remaining ingredients. Add to chicken. Toss. Garnish with slices of hard-cooked egg. Serves 8 to 10.

Fruit-Bowl Salad

Arrange pears, peach halves filled with blueberries, slices of pineapple and avocado, strawberries, and melon balls on bed of water cress. Serve with **Fruit Dressing:** Combine ½ cup sugar or light corn syrup and 4 teaspoons enriched flour; gradually add ½ cup vinegar. Cook over low heat until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Add 1 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons paprika, 1 tablespoon onion, minced fine, and 2 teaspoons celery seed; mix thoroughly. Pour ¾ cup salad oil into mixture very slowly, beating constantly with electric or rotary beater.

Big Supper Salad

1 to 2 cups cooked ham (or luncheon meat)	1 cup crisp celery sticks
1 cup cooked green beans	1 cup cooked peas
1 cup cooked carrot sticks	½ cup French dressing
	1 head lettuce
	2 hard-cooked eggs, sliced

Cut ham in sticks, as in photograph. Marinate green beans, carrots, celery, and peas in French dressing 2 hours. Break lettuce in bite-sized chunks in salad bowl. Arrange marinated vegetables and ham, spoke-fashion, with egg slices in center. Add **Nippy Mayonnaise Dressing:** ½ cup mayonnaise, 1½ teaspoons prepared horse-radish, 1½ teaspoons prepared mustard, 2 slices cucumber pickle, chopped. Combine ingredients; mix. Makes ¾ cup.

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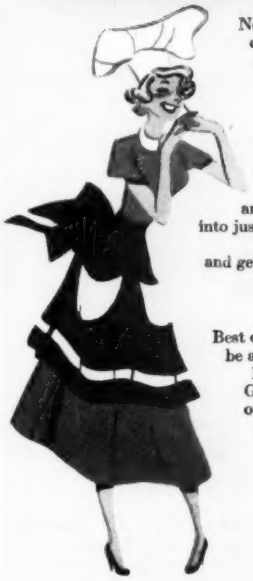

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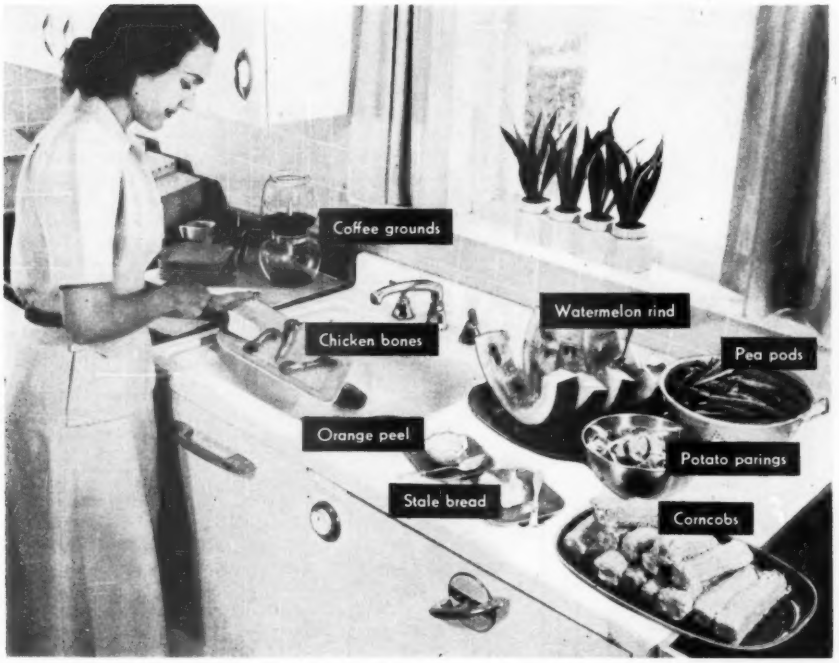
What a waste disposer can mean to you

By Frances Meyer

We were curious to know how owners like their waste disposers. So we went out and talked to them. Here's their report on what disposers mean to their homes



It's no problem to dispose of the garbage after this midsummer meal of fruit cocktail in orange shells, fried chicken, corn on the cob, garden peas, French-fried potatoes, watermelon, and coffee. Put it all in the waste disposer

"You wonder how you ever lived without it," says one enthusiastic woman of her waste disposer. And she is no isolated example. For this new, timesaving, garbage-eliminating wizard ranks high on the list of valuable kitchen equipment.

In order to find out how owners actually rate their waste disposers, we went out and talked to women, and men, too, who have waste disposers in their homes. The size of the families interviewed varied between two and eight persons. We asked these people how they like their waste disposers, what they like best about them, what things they feel aren't satisfactory. This is their story.

To a woman, they agree on the value of a waste disposer. For example:

"I think you either have to see or have one to appreciate how much it saves you." "It gets more of a workout than anything in the kitchen." "I don't think we'd ever be without one again." "Of all the luxuries, this is really it." "Each time I use it I like it better."

"Here's why I like it"

These women are uniformly enthusiastic about waste disposers, but their reasons for liking them vary. For example, one woman says it does away with unpleasant odors such as those from onions and orange peels. Another likes the fact that "it speeds meal making because there's no clutter in the sink to slow me down." Another, "It [*Turn to next page*

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What a waste disposer

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means that I don't have to handle the garbage any more."

Such statements as these were common: "I like the clean feeling it gives you." "Now I just whiz through the cleanup after meals." "It's a wonderful marketing timesaver. I used to put off cleaning the vegetables and fruits, but now I clean them right away." "My pet hate was coffee grounds—now they're gone in a moment." "It gets rid of garbage immediately; my sink is always clean." "My waste disposer certainly simplifies entertaining."

Many women emphasized the way a waste disposer frees them of unpleasant tasks. There's no wrapping garbage in newspaper. There are no breaking, leaking sacks; no unsanitary garbage cans to scrub; no trips outdoors to empty garbage in all kinds of weather.

Women like the fact that the waste disposer is self-cleansing—actually cleaner than the pipes of an ordinary sink. Many of these women do not have new sinks—the waste disposers were installed in the sinks they already owned.

There's nothing to operating a waste disposer, they tell us, and it's fast. Just put in the garbage. Automatic grinding takes about a minute. Waste is gone; sink is neat and clean.

Sanitation is an important consideration. Insects and rodents are attracted by garbage. Owners seem to feel that the greatest source of trouble is eliminated when they do away with the garbage pail.

Husbands speak

Husbands, too, have opinions on the subject. The most typical comment: "I was the one elected to take out the garbage every day. Our disposer saves me lots of trouble."

Not perfect

However, there are some waste disposer features which owners don't feel are satisfactory. The one mentioned most often is the grinding noise made while the waste disposer operates. Others say that the noise lasts for such a short time that it's no annoyance.

The fact that it won't grind everything was also mentioned. Such things as large bones, popcorn, watermelon seeds, fish skin, ham rind, corn silks and husks, and pineapple tops were mentioned.

In some types the waste disposer may interfere with sink drainage when there's unground waste in the disposer. Water may even back up into the sink occasionally.

Most people state that their waste disposers give excellent service if the demands on the disposers are reasonable. They mention features which they would like to have improved, but they are definitely pleased with present performances.

How a waste disposer works

Here is a summary of information from manufacturers and other sources on how a waste disposer works and what it will do.

A waste disposer is an electric grinder placed under the kitchen sink and connected with the sewer. It consists of a shredding compartment and a ¼-horsepower motor which operates the shredders.

Will fit your present sink. Waste disposers are designed for the average 3½- to 4-inch drain opening. Some disposers can be adapted to fit a larger opening.

Major changes seldom needed. The plumbing connection consists of attaching the waste disposer to the sink drainpipe. In most cases this is a simple operation. However, if your drain outlet is higher than the drain line [*Turn to page 117*

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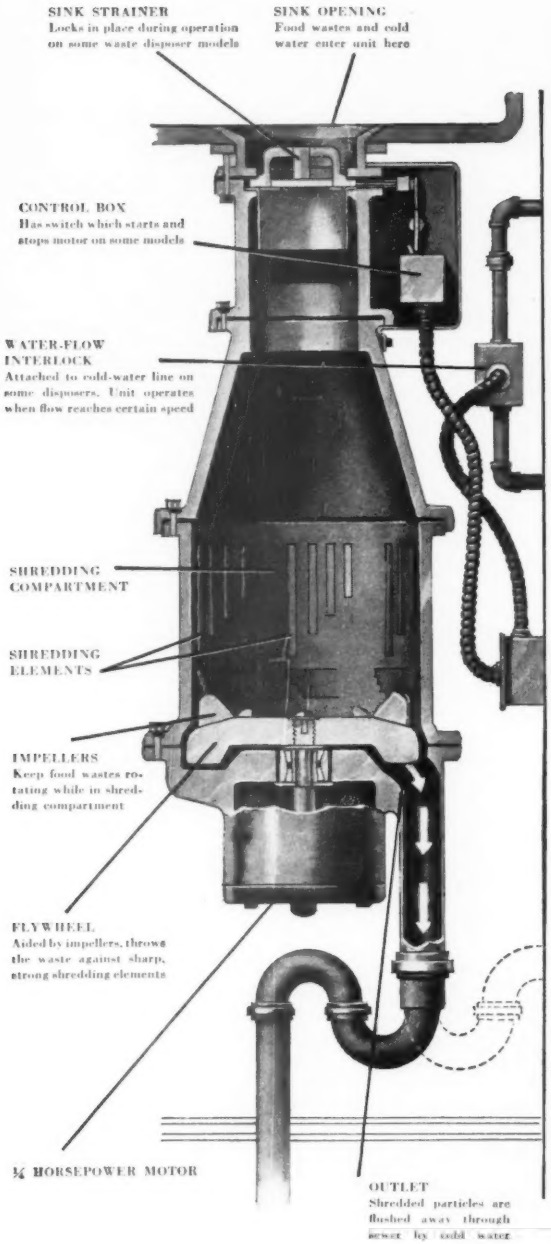

What goes on in a waste disposer

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What to do about your youngster's FEARS

Whatever brings it on, terror is nothing to be laughed at. Your boy or girl may be harboring some fear without your knowing it

By Amy Selwyn

Your boy's or girl's fears may seem foolish to you. But if you let him know you think his fears are foolish, you may make it that much tougher for him to overcome them.

The Rices learned that the hard way with their Janie. It was 3:30 the other morning that Al Rice was shaken from sleep by Janie's shrieks.

"Make that man go away," she was sobbing. "See him over there in the corner, Daddy . . . don't let him take me, Daddy; don't let him."

Al hoped he sounded more patient than he felt. "Don't be silly, Janie, there's *nobody* here. See, I'll turn on the light and show you. When you were a baby you weren't afraid to sleep alone. You shouldn't be afraid now that you're a big girl." To himself he muttered, "Another good night's sleep shot to blazes."

Every night for a month, he and Mae had been taking turns sitting up with Janie till she stopped crying about the bogeyman who was trying to kidnap her. Usually, too, Janie's screams woke the baby, and then one of them had to sit up with him till he quieted down.

Mae and Al were making the same mistake many parents make in handling their children's fears: They were trying to *reason* Janie out of her fear. Perhaps you do the same. You *know* that your child has no reason to fear the dark, that the shadows on the wall can't hurt him. So you painstakingly explain and re-explain that fact to your youngster. You turn on the light and show him the empty room. You tell him he's too old to behave like a baby.

Unfortunately, this approach may bring you no closer to overcoming your child's fear than if you stayed in your bed and let him scream his head off. You can't help a child to overcome a fear by expecting him to see things as *you* see them. Al and Mae learned that it's quite normal and natural for children of Janie's age to develop a fear of the dark.

Why should a 4- or 5-year-old suddenly become afraid to go to bed alone, when he has gone without a whimper since he was a baby? Well, for one thing, a 2-year-old doesn't have the imagination to people his bedroom with imaginary characters. Not till now had Janie become grown-up enough to sense the differences between darkness and light, or to imagine threatening figures among the shadows on the wall.

Mae and Al learned they could help Janie by making her bedtime pleasant and relaxed. They spent a few quiet moments with her before they left her alone and fixed up a light she could reach from her bed. They assured her that when she was a little older, she wouldn't be afraid to stay alone in the dark. Till that time, they assured her, she could always count on her mother and dad to keep her safe. Not too many nights later, Janie forgot to look for her bogeyman, and Al and Mae could sleep.

There appear to be some situations which frighten most children. If you know which situations these are, you may be able to anticipate them.

Nearly all very young children are afraid of two things: loud noises and sudden movements, especially if the two come together.

One afternoon last summer Mrs. Dykes put her 8-months-old Richard to sleep in his carriage on the screened porch. She busied herself in the kitchen and didn't notice that a heavy storm had come up suddenly. Richard's screams brought her running, but by then the thunder and lightning had already frightened him.

His mother whisked him up, plopped him in his playpen, and ran back to see whether the storm had spoiled the cake she had in the oven. She supposed Richard would quickly forget the storm. But for many days after that Richard balked at taking his nap. He was afraid the terrible noise and sudden movement would come again.

Mrs. Dykes shouldn't be surprised if Richard's terror of storms sticks with him for years. Naturally, you can't prevent thunderstorms, but you can see to it that your youngster's first experience with them doesn't leave a permanent scar.

If a sudden storm *does* frighten him, take plenty of time, then and there, to soothe and reassure him. *You* know a clap of thunder can't hurt him, but he hasn't learned that yet. If you see that your child has been badly scared by any sudden, loud noise, pick him up and talk to him gently. Let him feel your physical strength and protection. Once you're sure he feels calm and safe again, start him off on a new line of interest.

When he's little, stay at his side | *Turn to page 148*

A Better Homes & Gardens child care and training feature

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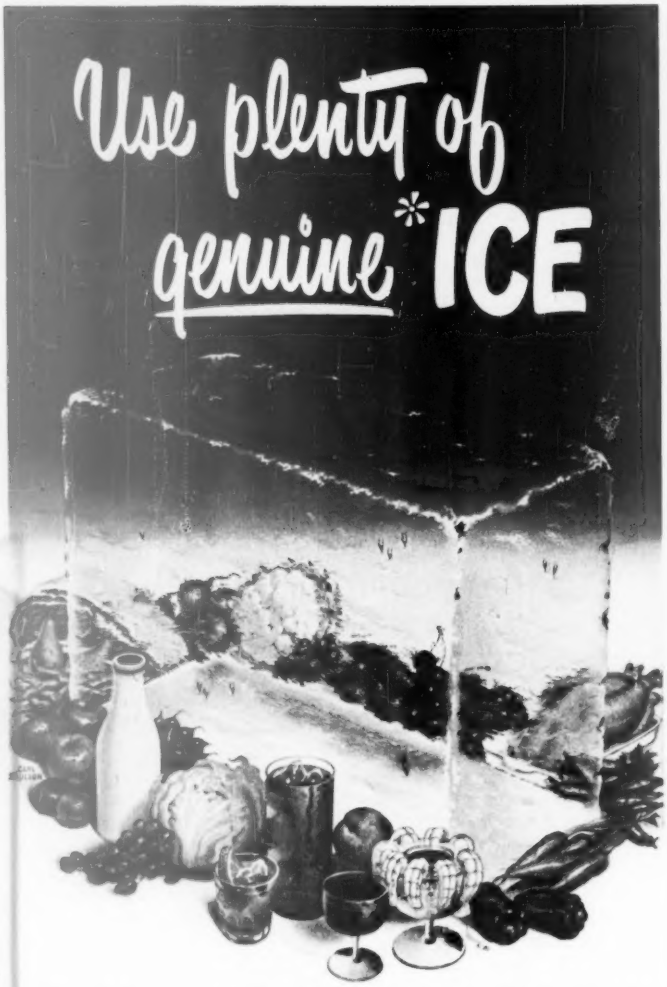

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a lot for a little

By Ethel McCall Head

In a corner, under windows, beside a stairway—you can tuck shelves anywhere. And the smallest shelves will give big returns in charm and practicality if you plan and place them correctly. Always check the size of books and bric-a-brac before you set shelf length or depth. Try to decide what extra uses you can make of shelves (as desks, as tables, or as cupboards) before you build them. Here are six shelves that do big jobs in a little space. Perhaps you can visualize one of these in your own home.

Under corner windows, shelves use space that might be wasted. Measure carefully so shelves will be low enough to stay out of the line of view, yet high enough to take advantage of space. Desk is level with the top shelf, so there's an unbroken line of table surface under the windows

Next to fireplace, shelves house books, radio, and phonograph. Top of radio-record cabinet is wide enough to spread out albums, high enough to hold a reading lamp. Shelves are faced with combed plywood

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Beside the stairway, shelves make room for books, magazines, clock. Front edge of the bookshelves is flush with the wall so they add color and charm to the hall without taking up floor space. Wood strips across the front of bottom shelf hold magazines in an upright position

In a narrow hall, glass-topped shelf puts empty wall space to work. Here's the place for mail, gloves, flowers, or visitors' handbags. A generous-sized mirror on the wall behind the shelf adds a feeling of space to the hall—and lets you check your make-up before you leave the house

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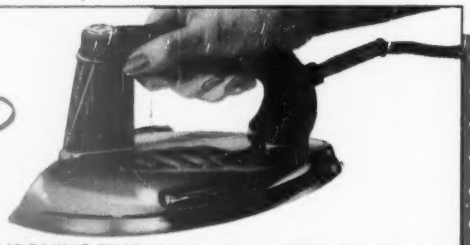

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New foods

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Mexican dinner comes in a box containing one can each of ready-made tortillas, enchilada sauce, and frijole beans. If you like highly seasoned south-of-the-border foods, this kit is for you.

Breads, batters

Ready-to-bake breads: Frozen blueberry muffins come ready for baking. You can place box right in your oven. Just tear off top along perforated lines; nine muffins in crinkly paper cups are inside. Bake 15 to 20 minutes in 375° oven; you have tender, delicious muffins. Coming soon are frozen cinnamon buns.

Toasted corn meal makes delicious, nutty-flavored brunette corn bread. Unless you've dined with Pennsylvania Dutch folk, chances are you've never tasted this.

Mexican popovers or sopaipillas are easy to make with a new mix. You just add water and drop mixture by spoonfuls into deep hot fat. Tender, crisp puffs form.

Dietetic pancake mix gives you "nonfattening" griddle cakes; they contain only 1/5 the usual number of calories. Sugarless, simulated maple syrup goes with the cakes; contains less than half the calories in regular syrup.

Snacks, flavorings

Nut butters other than peanut butter are now available to use as spreads, or to flavor ice-cream sauces and desserts. There's rich Brazil-nut butter, pecan-nut butter, filbert-nut butter, and almond-nut butter—each packed in a 5-ounce can. Also new in the spread line are mushroom and celery butters, which may be used for canapés or to flavor soups and sauces.

Roquefort-cheese dressing comes in an 8-ounce bottle ready to shake and pour over salad greens. It's a rose-colored oil dressing flecked with bits of cheese.

Minted filberts are a new nut treat. The mint-flavored sugary coating enhances the delicate flavor of the nut.

New snack nibbles are crisp, hollow cigarette-shaped wafers stuffed with various soft fillings—chocolate, hazelnut, almond, and cheese. Serve as cookies or candy.

Charcoal flavor for those steaks broiled indoors is attained by spreading on meat a special seasoning mix. Steak takes on "outdoorsy," smoky flavor and crusty surface.

Trick containers

Self-heating cans offer you hot foods for picnics and travel eating. And now the foods packed in these cans include chicken-noodle soup, rice or noodle-chicken dinner, frankfurters, baked beans, hamburgers, chile con carne, spaghetti in sauce, chow mein, hash, beef and gravy, and coffee or hot chocolate ready to drink. You punch holes in bottom of can, which starts a chemical heating action. After 12 minutes, turn can right side up, open top, and serve steaming food.

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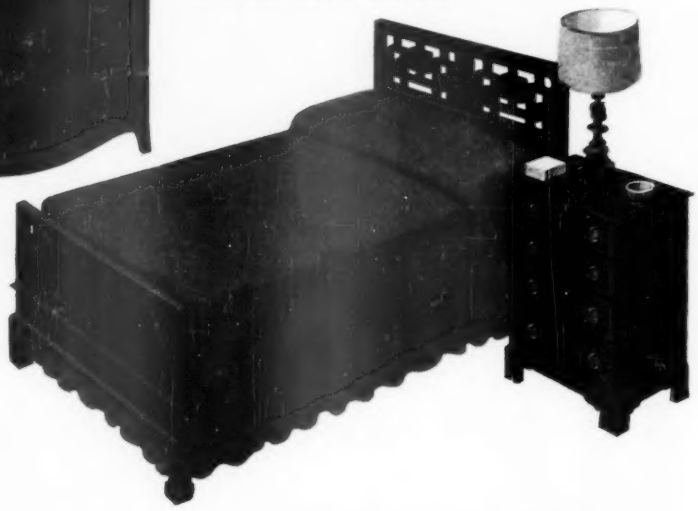

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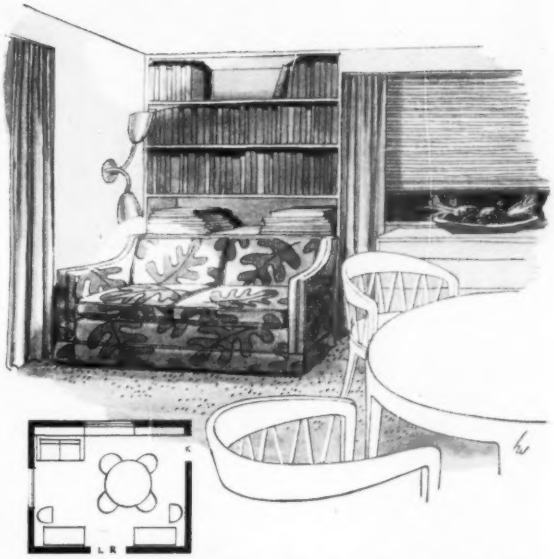
Round-the-clock dining rooms

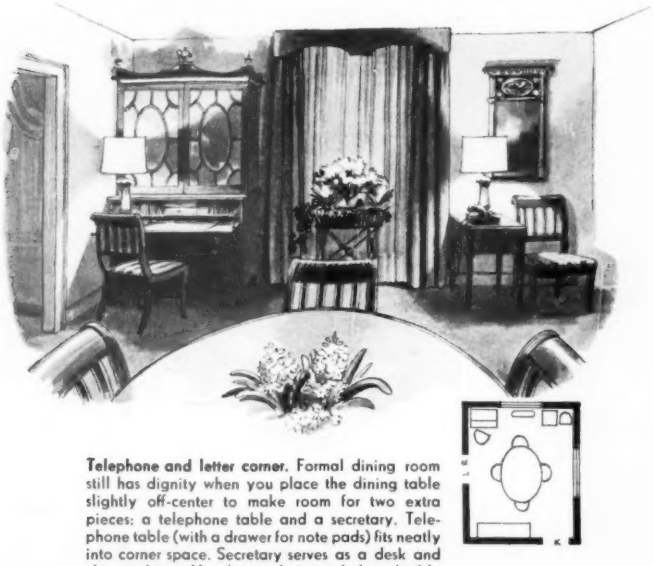
Count the hours your dining room stands idle. Then check these ideas to see if you can make better use of *your* dining space

By Harrie Wood



Guest space. Place a small dining table (with leaves that double its size for large parties) off center in your dining room. You'll find space then for a sofa-bed guest corner. Your family will choose the sofa for reading or napping. Guests will find the bed comfortable and convenient

Home office. Drop-leaf table hugs the window wall—and leaves place in your dining room for an efficient kneehole desk complete with typewriter, lamp, and telephone. With one leaf up, the table seats four right there at the window. For formal parties, turn the desk against the wall and move the table to the center of the room



Telephone and letter corner. Formal dining room still has dignity when you place the dining table slightly off-center to make room for two extra pieces: a telephone table and a secretary. Telephone table (with a drawer for note pads) fits neatly into corner space. Secretary serves as a desk and china cabinet. Use dining chairs at desk and table

It's not the size of your dining room that counts—it's how you use the space. The smallest dining room is a space waster when it stands idle all day. Yet the smallest dining room can work around the clock if you plan its furnishings carefully.

First step in making more of your dining room is to place the table where it will serve you best—and leave the most possible free space in the room. Place the table off center, stand it in front of windows, let it hug the wall. As long as there is chair space around the table, you'll find it answers dining needs.

Next decide how your family can best use the rest of the space. Office for dad? Playroom for the children? Letter-writing corner for mother? The arrangement that best fits your family is the correct arrangement.

Here are six dining rooms for you to look over. Each shows how you can add extra use to a room by putting waste space to work. Give your own dining room a critical look. See if it can become a round-the-clock room, too.

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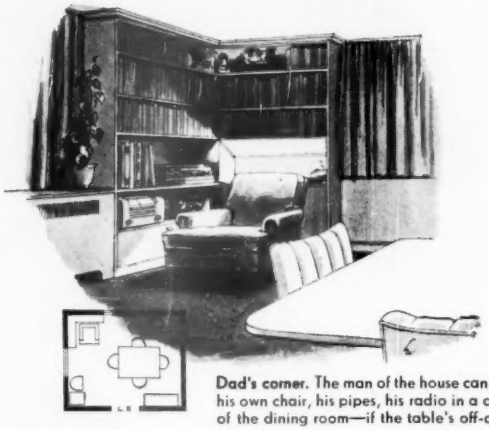
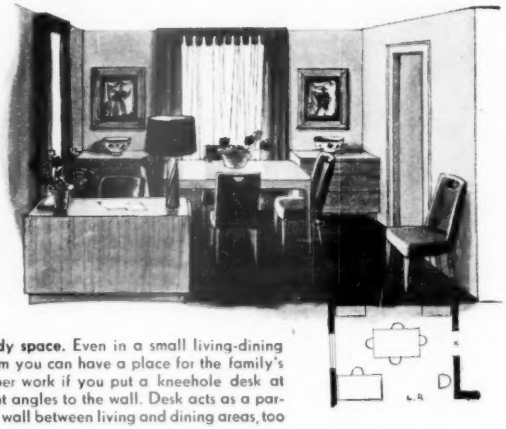
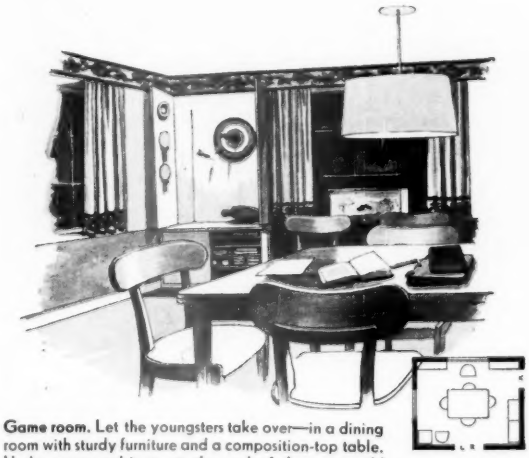


Dad's corner. The man of the house can have his own chair, his pipes, his radio in a corner of the dining room—if the table's off-center



Study space. Even in a small living-dining room you can have a place for the family's paper work if you put a kneehole desk at right angles to the wall. Desk acts as a partial wall between living and dining areas, too



Game room. Let the youngsters take over—in a dining room with sturdy furniture and a composition-top table. Under game cabinets at the end of the room add shelves to hold books, toys, hobby equipment. Overhead light makes the table bright enough for studying

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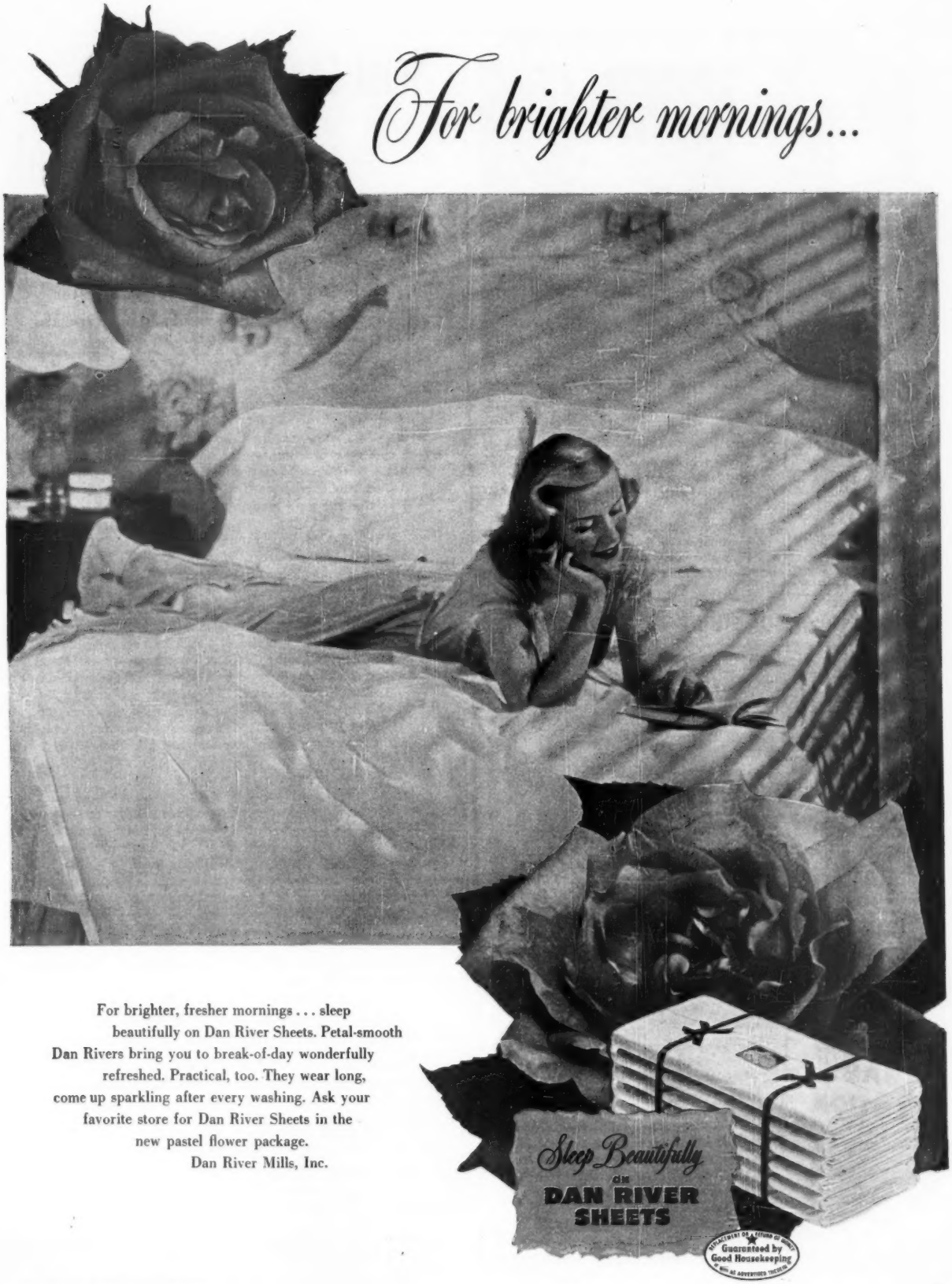

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Send them to school with an even break

You can't leave everything to the teacher. Here's how you can make it easier for her to help your youngster by making sure he's ready to be helped

By Pearl Gischler

It was a warm summer afternoon. Mrs. Brown poured a cool glass of lemonade for me and remarked, "I have Mary Alice all ready for school. I've gotten her the cutest dresses, and she got her first permanent wave last week. Now that she is all ready, she can hardly wait for school to begin."

That night I kept thinking about 6-year-old Mary Alice who was "all ready for school" with a permanent wave and a wardrobe full of dresses.

I wondered how many other mothers of the beginners I would have in my kindergarten were like Mrs. Brown.

The very next day I met Mrs. Slade in the drugstore. She was buying a bottle of medicine. "Something to build Dicky up," she explained. "You know, he will have to start school this fall and he is so frail and catches cold so easily." She held on to the too pale, too thin Dicky with one hand and to the medicine with the other. It was no wonder to me that Dicky tried to hide behind his mother's skirt when she explained to him that I was a schoolteacher.

A few days later, I received a letter from an old friend of mine, and, happy day, she asked, "Will you please tell me what I should do this year to get Bobby ready for school next year? He will be 6 too late to enter school, and there is no kindergarten in our town."

Believe me, I was happy to give Bobby's mother my prescription. I had been wishing I could tell some parents what I thought. I had never seen Bobby, so I could start at the beginning. When Bobby's little sister was big enough, the same suggestions would apply to her.

First and most important of all should be *health*. Have your child examined thoroughly by a doctor. Ask the doctor to check weight, general health, eyes, ears, teeth, throat, kidneys, and feet. Have any suggested corrections made as quickly as possible.

Weight may not seem important to you. But it means a lot to a youngster. Rose was in my room last year. She learned rapidly, but she was a behavior problem. Why? Because she was too fat. She just couldn't run and play like the others, so she compensated by pushing and pinching them. Naturally the other children didn't care much for her.

Charles was too thin. He was a whiz at reading, but he wasn't a good all-around student because he tired so easily. When he was tired, he was disagreeable. And he was absent from school a great deal because he "caught

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everything that was catchable."

You might think it a waste of time to say that a child should be able to see and hear well.

Well, in my room last year, there were 30 children. Three had poor vision and had never been to an eye specialist. Four had defective hearing; the parents of three had never suspected it. Ted's mother said that he had always had earaches, but that she thought he would outgrow it.

Have your child's hearing checked with an audiometer if possible. The cost will be small compared to the cost of correction later, or that of failure from not hearing what goes on.

Clinton is a little blue-eyed fellow from a big family. None of his brothers or sisters has ever done well in school, but Clinton seems so interested in everything that I have hopes for him. But what can I expect? I can hear Clinton breathing from any place in my room. And, the sight of his big tonsils almost chokes me. I hope I have the opportunity of teaching him after they're removed.

I always wish I had studied to be a dentist instead of a schoolteacher; the need for dentists seems so much greater. When I ask how many children have ever been to the dentist, I have to hunt for the hands because they are so scarce. Yet 16 of my 30 had bad teeth—not one bad tooth, but many. One pale-faced little boy who was repeating the grade has 12 black teeth. His breath was always bad, and he missed school frequently. He had never seen a dentist. His father had a good job. I had a talk with him one evening at the newsstand where I found him buying comics for the boy with bad teeth.

Too many parents take bladder training for granted. If Junior wets the bed at night, they hope he will get ashamed of it when he gets bigger and quit. If he has poor control in the daytime, they hope the teacher will teach him better when he starts to school. Such children should have doctor's examinations to determine whether or not their lack of control is due to a physical defect. One little boy was found to have diabetes. As soon as it was under control, so was his bladder. If there is no physical reason, such children are emotionally troubled. The doctor or a child psychologist can determine the reason.

After considering health, ask yourself this question. Does my youngster have the right attitude about school? Does he know of its opportunities for fun and learning, making friends, for play, for acting, for listening to good things? If you want Bobby to like school, (and if he doesn't, he'll never do well, though he may be smart as a whip) teach him to look forward to his school days with pleasure. Don't say:

"I'll bet when you go to school you won't act like that and get by with it!" Or, "Just you wait until you get a schoolteacher!"

If Bobby cannot attend a kindergarten, give him kindergarten experiences at home. Teach him to help you with simple tasks like stacking the dishes or dusting the living room. Give him the opportunity of playing with other children; not only playing with them, but working with them as well. Invite some of his friends over and let them help you make a batch of cookies or spade and plant a flower bed.

Teach Bobby to use simple tools. He should use a saw, a hammer, a pencil, a paintbrush, and a pair of scissors. Don't expect perfection in the use of tools, but it will help if he can use them a little.

One of my first graders tried to write with the eraser end of his new pencil and didn't learn how to make his scissors really cut until almost Christmas. He had never used either one. I tried to find out why from his mother.

She said, "Oh, he just always played outdoors with his little brother."

"But on rainy days—what did they do then?"

"Oh," she said, with a gasp, "they almost drove me crazy!"

Scissors, paste, pencils, color books, and crayons might have made those rainy days a lot easier and a lot more pleasant—for both the boys *and* their mother.

Now I'm sure you are asking, "But what *should* I teach him?" All right. Here's what.

Teach him to *speak plainly*. He should know his full name and address and his age. Teach him to work and to play with a thought of safety for himself and others. Teach him neatness—to pick up his clothes and put his toys away. Try to plant a spark of love in him for all that is good and beautiful, colors, flowers, birds, trees, music. Teach him to like books. Enjoy good books with him. Train him to be reasonably clean and to feel a responsibility in taking care of himself. Teach him *to* listen and *how* to listen.

Perhaps you want to ask, "Should I try to teach him such things as counting and how to say his A.B.C.'s—or how to read a little or how to write?" No. Leave that for his teacher at school.

I ended my letter to Bobby's mother this way:

"And then, next September, when that morning comes when you must send Bobby off to school for the first time, see that he is washed and dressed, give him a good wholesome breakfast, tell him that school is a wonderful place and that he has a fine teacher (even though you may doubt it) and wave him good-bye with a smile. Say to yourself, 'There goes my Bobby! He is well, has good eyesight, good hearing, good teeth, healthy nose and throat, normal weight, normal kidneys. He knows a few manners, how to behave, is orderly with his things. He has friends, likes to play, appreciates beauty, likes books, can use simple tools, and wants to go to school. So, teacher, here he comes. Now see what you can do with him!' "

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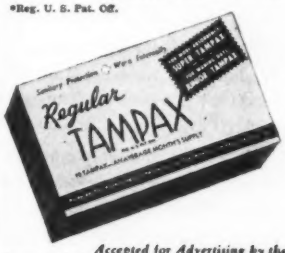

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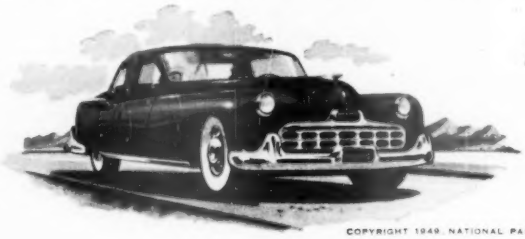

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How to handle a blowtorch

By Bob Gilmore

You can carry a torch without getting burned. Story and pictures tell you how

When you want concentrated heat for some building or repair job around the house, there is no better or cheaper way of getting it than with a blowtorch.

Many people look on a blowtorch as a dangerous implement, ready to explode at any instant. Actually, if used right, it is as safe as your family car or your home heater.

Any danger comes not from the torch itself, but from carelessness with its fuel. Both alcohol and gasoline vaporize readily at house temperature. These invisible vapors creep along any moving current of air. Kerosene, though it vaporizes less readily, is still violently explosive when mixed with air to the right proportion; it shouldn't be handled with any less care than gasoline or alcohol.

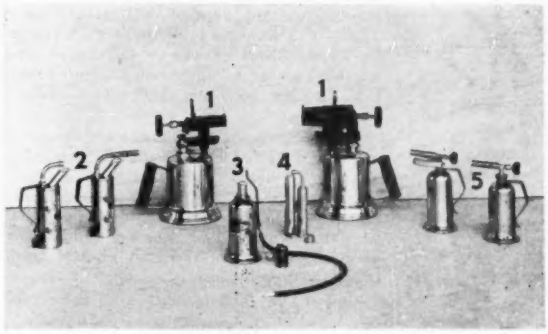
For the greatest margin of safety, always fill your torch and light it outdoors. A concrete driveway or walk is best; spilled kerosene or gasoline will kill plants and soften asphalt. Outside, fumes will be carried away.

If it is impossible to go outside to fill and light your torch, spread newspapers to absorb spilled fuel and then take them outside to dry (don't burn them!). Have doors and windows open for cross ventilation. Be certain no open flame exists in the room you are using or in rooms to which the fumes might drift. That includes pilot lights in gas heaters or ranges, even the flame of a gas-burning refrigerator.

Before you light the torch, wipe all spilled fuel off the tank to avoid any chance of a flare-up.

If you use the torch indoors, remember that it burns oxygen and gives off poisonous carbon monoxide gas, so good ventilation is imperative.

There are several types of torches, as the photographs show. Some burn alcohol, others burn kerosene, but the commonest kind is the gasoline torch.



Types of blowtorches include: (1) pump-type gasoline or kerosene torch, with and without wind shield; (2) double-tank alcohol torch, with (right) and without (left) burner cylinder; (3) lung-power alcohol torch; (4) two-cylinder alcohol torch; (5) self-generating alcohol (left) and gasoline (right) torches

Pump-type torches have pint or quart fuel capacity. Burners for gasoline (left) and kerosene (right) operate the same, differ in size of burner opening and asbestos-wool stuffing of kerosene drip cup. Burner assembly on torch at right is being unscrewed; it can be interchanged with another to switch the fuel

Preheat and light pump-type torch outdoors. Fill fuel tank ¾ full, pump 15 or 20 times, then hold hand over burner and open valve till fuel nearly fills drip cup. Close valve, wipe up spilled fuel, and light drip cup. When fuel is burned from cup, hold match flame under holes in burner and open valve slightly. Pale blue flame is right; if it's yellowish, turn it off, let cool, and preheat again

Wind barrier will help when you preheat a torch without a wind shield, especially if there is a breeze stirring. Flame can be sheltered even further, if it is necessary, by cupping hands

Leather pump washer needs periodic oiling. Drop oil around pump shaft, through oil hole. If washer is badly dried, take shaft out and rub oil into washer. Best torches have locking device to hold plunger down. If unlocked plunger creeps up or fuel leaks, clean or replace check valve

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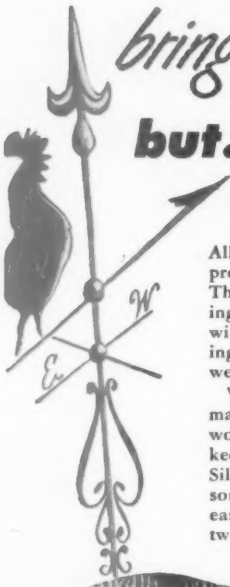

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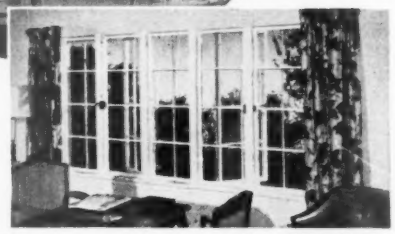

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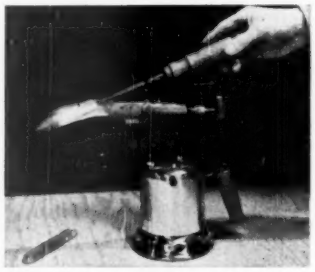
Leaky torch should not be used. To test, fill tank, pump, and let torch sit unused. Leaks will appear as moist spots. Valve-shaft leaks can be stopped by tightening or replacing stuffing nut (A). Leaks around pump (B) or the burner-head stem can be stopped by coating threads with brown soap. If fuel leaks from filler plug, send tank to the manufacturer

Heat soldering iron this way, with base of copper in flame and tip free to prevent oxidation of soldering point. Iron is heated when greenish flame licks around copper; don't overheat it. When you set any burning torch down, be sure flame is not pointing toward a surface that might catch fire



Don't burn paint off this way; the torch has lingered so long in one spot that the wood has started to burn. First sign you are going too far is yellowish licking of jagged flame around blue torch flame. You need just enough heat to soften old paint. Watch all cracks where torch might leave tiny sparks

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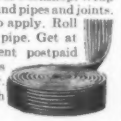
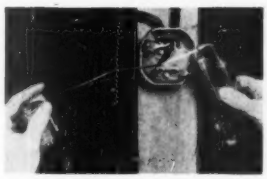
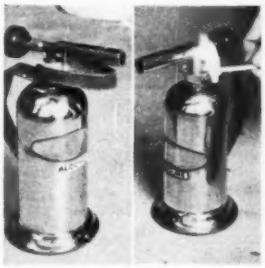


How to handle a blowtorch



Double-cylinder alcohol torch is the least expensive, takes alcohol in both cylinders. Wick under cap of taller cylinder burns, vaporizing wick-fed fuel in the bent tube and forcing it through tiny opening in a long, pointed flame. Keep fuel caps tight; clean burner opening occasionally with wire

Lung-power alcohol torch is handy for hobbyists who work with jewelry, glass gewgaws, or chemical experiments. Besides its small, needlelike flame, controlled by mouth blow-tube, it will produce a soft vertical flame from wick



Small gasoline torch (right) and alcohol torch (left) generate pressure from heat of the burner shaft. They must be preheated like a pump-type torch to vaporize fuel within the burner, and to heat the burner so it will carry on its own vaporization as you use it

Most tanks are filled from bottom, where the concave base acts as a funnel. Fuel should be fresh and free of sediment; if it's dirty, filter it through a silk or lint-free rayon rag. In gasoline torches, burn only white, unleaded fuel, or burners and veins will clog

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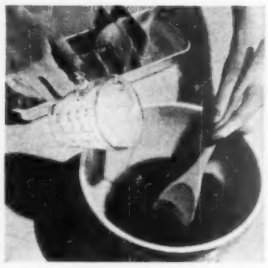

Last-minute gelatine salad is possible if you put 1 cup of the water the recipe calls for in refrigerator freezing compartment. Dissolve flavored gelatine in remaining water heated to boiling; stir to cool. Add partially frozen cup of water, stir, and gelatine is ready for molding. Finish jelling in refrigerator.—*Mrs. L. E. Dunkin, South Bend, Indiana.*

Food looks cool and is cool when you serve salads or desserts in an ice ring. Freeze water—clear, or tinted with vegetable coloring—in ring mold in refrigerator freezing compartment. To remove, dip mold in hot water for a moment.—*Mrs. M. L. Loufrie, Napa, California.*

Cool drinks are welcome when the family's relaxing. Help everyone keep track of his glass—and save yourself dishwashing—with nail-polish labels. Names come off with polish remover.—*Mrs. Norman McGregor, Springfield, Ohio.*

Save time and enjoy fresh fruits while they're in season. Dice enough mixed fruit at one time to last several days—peaches, pears, seedless grapes, bananas, or any others that are in season. Keep the fruit covered in the refrigerator—all ready for cocktails, salads, and desserts.—*Mrs. Earl P. Haney, Winchester, Massachusetts.*

Bake stuffed peppers, tomatoes, or baked apples in a muffin pan. The vegetables will keep their shape much better.—*Mrs. A. J. Platteter, Gordon, Wisconsin.*

Cool starter. Chill a 10½- or 11-ounce can of consommé 4 hours or more in refrigerator. Break consommé into small pieces with fork. Serves 2 or 3 people.—*Mrs. Ted Reed, Oak Park, Illinois.*

Plums, apricots, and other easily bruised fruits will be safe on their way to a picnic if they're carried in an egg carton.—*Mrs. Fred Fienup, St. Louis, Missouri.*

To peel tomatoes easily, rub skin all over with back of knife until loosened.—*Mrs. Robert Hannan, Atlanta, Georgia.*

Gelatine salads and desserts can go on a picnic via the double boiler. Let salad or dessert jell in top section. Before leaving for picnic, fill bottom with ice cubes and insulate the double boiler by wrapping several thicknesses of newspaper around it.—*Mrs. Albert Henn, Sauk City, Wisconsin.*

Cucumber Blossom Salads. Wash large cucumbers. Cut into 2-inch lengths and scoop out center. Pare strips as shown in the photograph, tucking the ends under. Fill cucumber cups with salmon or tuna fish salad.—*Mrs. L. A. Peterson, St. Paul, Minnesota.*

You'll have a base for cool drinks always ready if you save the syrup which is left over from fruit salads and desserts. Store in the refrigerator in a closed container.—*Mrs. Albert Plumb, Newton, Kansas.*

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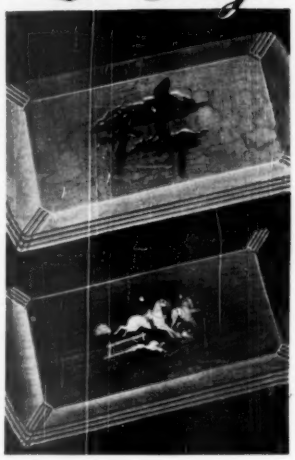

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Waste disposers

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connection on the waste disposer, it will need to be lowered.

An electric connection is made between the waste disposer and the power line. Some units are turned on with a switch. Others start running when the cold water flow reaches a certain speed. Most disposers require alternating current.

Does a thorough job. When you put waste into the sink opening, it falls into the grinding compartment where it is pulverized by shredders. Then it is carried by the cold water to the sewer.

Practically all food wastes can be gobbled up by the disposer. But waste disposers aren't built to grind up metal, rubber, tin cans, pottery or china, glass, heavy paper, string, or cloth. Some manufacturers say "no" to large bones, fruit or olive pits, nutshells, or oyster- and clamshells.

Two types of operation. Some waste disposers work on the *capacity* principle; others are of the *continuous-feed* type. In the capacity type, food waste is put into a two- to five-quart grinding compartment, the drain is locked in place, cold water is turned on, and the motor is started. In the continuous-feed type, waste is fed into disposer while water is running and motor is in operation. Some models have motors which automatically reverse their grinding direction to lessen the possibility of jamming.

Safety features. All waste disposers have some type of safety device to keep fingers out of the grinding compartment while disposer is in operation. In addition, the grinders in most are at least 12 inches below the sink opening, so it's practically impossible to reach them. Most have an overload control which shuts off motor if the waste disposer is jammed. This prevents damage to the motor.

In some waste disposers, if silverware accidentally falls into the grinding compartment, the motor will shut off automatically. In others, the noise caused by the metal will warn you to turn it off. You can rescue the paring knife or spoon with no damage to the disposer mechanism.

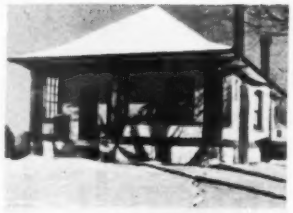
Care. Your waste disposer requires less maintenance than practically any other electrical appliance in the home if treated with reasonable care. Bearings on many of the motors are permanently lubricated. On others, bearings are lubricated once or twice a year.

A waste disposer keeps drainpipes cleaner than the pipes of regular sinks. *Never* use any drain cleaners with a waste disposer—they're unnecessary and may harm the unit. Be certain that pipes are thoroughly cleaned at the time waste disposer is installed.

Cost. Waste disposers vary in price from $100 to $135. Installation costs vary in different cities and also depend on your present sink plumbing. Check on installation fees before purchasing a disposer. The cost of operating a waste disposer is small—about 5 cents a month. When considering costs, remember that you are making a 20-year investment.

Can be used with septic tank. It is quite satisfactory to use a waste disposer if your septic tank has a capacity of at least 500 gallons.

Check city ordinances. In some communities, ordinances prohibit installation of waste disposers. But in most cases the statutes are antiquated ones, written before modern waste disposers were known. Several large cities are now working to bring their statutes up to date. Other cities and towns are actively encouraging the installation of waste disposers.



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Ironing made easy

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Tips for beginners

1. Keep in mind that ironer technique is flatwork technique and minor variations. Even the most complicated garment is made up of a number of flat sections.
2. Begin with the simple flat pieces and you'll soon progress to the more detailed ones.
3. Make use of the large ironing surface by distributing the article along entire length of ironing pad.
4. Iron lengthwise, whenever possible, with the weave, or thread of the fabric.
5. Follow seams, placing garment at a convenient angle.
6. Always straighten article on ironing pad before ironing. Smooth piece from center to right and left with palms. Hold lightly and don't pull at corners or edges.
7. Iron hanging section (belts, ties, straps, sleeves) first.
8. Iron each portion until it is thoroughly dry.
9. If ironer has two heat controls and you're using only one end of ironer, set one thermostat at low. Saves pad scorching and current.

Preparation pointers

1. **Starching.** Use less starch than with hand ironing because the extra pressure of an ironer gives stiffness and gloss. An exact amount of starch can be determined after trial ironing.
2. **Sorting.** Before dampening, sort clothes according to fabrics. Then stack in basket so articles requiring high heat are on bottom.
3. **Dampening.** Generally, articles should not be as damp as in hand ironing. Cottons and linens require more moisture than other fabrics, but never dampen them to the wet stage. Dampen garments evenly, smooth out wrinkles, fold loosely, cover, and allow to stand for an hour or so.

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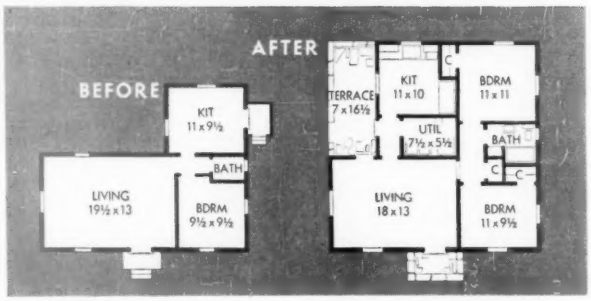

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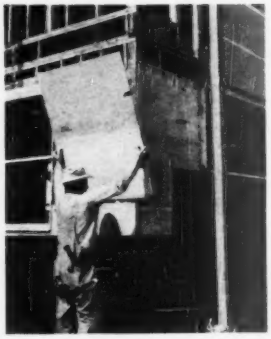

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Brick veneer on block walls. If walls of your house are built of four-inch cinder block with four-inch brick facing, a flashing strip should be laid on the slab under first course of brick. This through-wall flashing should be bent up against the inside face of the block. It's a good idea to insert weep holes—tiny copper tubes set in mortar joints between bricks—so any moisture present can drain out.

Bonding masonry walls. A four-inch wall is rather thin, and not too strong by itself, if it is built very high. Since your two four-inch walls, one of brick and one of block, might separate after a number of years, they should be bonded together. This is done by laying brick across the two four-inch walls every second or third course of block. These cross rows, called header courses, make a firm wall.

Window and door lintels. Standard door and window frames are not designed to carry the heavy load brick walls exert. Consequently, over every wall opening an iron or reinforced concrete lintel should be laid so ends bear on the masonry which frames the opening. Picture shows an iron lintel.

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Window flashing. Another point in exterior walls where water might leak in is above windows. Again flashing is the preventative. Here copper flashing is shown laid across bricks above the lintel.

Sill bolt. Brick reinforcing courses should be laid at the top of each wall just below the roof. In them, a long steel bolt is set, head down, every few feet. These bolts are anchored into bricks with the threaded end up. Wood sill on which the roof will rest fits over these bolts.

Veneer over wood frame. A masonry veneer must be tied to an inside wall to give the exterior wall stability. Every sixth or eighth brick or stone would be anchored by metal ties nailed through sheathing to studs. The other ends of the ties are buried in mortar. Sheathing behind brick veneer (left, above) is composition board with a waterproof paper facing. Stone veneer (right) is laid up like brickwork, but requires more mortar to make up for irregular stone shapes.

Shingles over building paper. Diagonal boarding or plywood sheathing must be covered with waterproof builder's paper laid as a moisture barrier. Each strip of paper overlaps its neighbor by roughly one-fourth the width of a strip. Over the paper, shingles or siding can be nailed, again overlapped. Here asbestos shingles are being laid over builder's paper. Note the guidelines.

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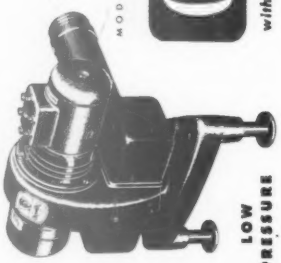

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How to get more out of what you have

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putting pennies into a bank for the baby. That gave them an idea. They began to drop their half dollars into another bank for a year-end surplus to be spent on things they couldn't afford before. It worked, and gave the Arnolds a surplus.

Equip for economy

Business seeks constantly to improve quality, cut costs, be modern. This means an open mind and prompt purchase of new equipment which will improve your operations.

Are you heating your home with a wasteful furnace or producing unpredictable cakes in an inefficient range? While you shouldn't go all out for expensive doodads, running your home with business sense calls for efficient, modern equipment, even to buying real dusting cloths instead of using dad's worn-out undershirts.

Time tasks: cut waste motion

Scientific management began when manufacturers learned to time operations and eliminate waste motion. These two practices are badly needed in many homes.

Husbands criticize unnecessary steps and hand motions in the kitchen, but overlook their own dawdling in tidying the basement.

If you're disorderly, at the office or at home, you may gain an hour a day merely by placing things where you can always find them. Did you know that, if you're a woman, you can peel as many as 86 percent more potatoes in a given time merely by eliminating waste motions? Or that having a basket to carry equipment and supplies from room to room can save you time and steps in house cleaning? Or that shopping on the quieter days during less hectic hours can cut still more time waste?

Jointly performed chores are often immensely timesaving—as when two of you unite to wax the car, weed the garden, or paint the kitchen. And maybe you need to cut out distractions. When Harriet B. stopped all that social telephoning during the mornings she got the work done in half her former time and lost all her rushed, frustrated feelings too.

Improve teamwork

No business goes far when responsibilities of individuals are poorly defined or when teamwork and cooperation are lacking.

When mother takes over responsibilities which properly belong to father, or vice versa, or when mutual husband-and-wife responsibilities are only half accepted, watch out for trouble. Is each child given responsibilities appropriate to its age—like washing the dog or keeping his room in order?

The need of teamwork is seen even in recreation. Unless members of your family can have a good time together, as well as by themselves, there won't be the family morale and house pride which mark the well-run business.

Be increasingly self-sufficient

A manufacturer who's been buying certain parts finds he can make them more cheaply himself; a department store traffic manager discovers he can save money by having a company-owned service shop instead of having the work done by someone outside.

When prices are high, we learn how much cheaper it is to maintain our homes than to call for outside help. Women rediscover the economy and pleasure of sewing. Household expenses can drop amazingly as you grow into the self-reliance and self-sufficiency your grandparents knew. Read the service magazines and how-to books. They'll show you how to do for yourself as you've never done before.

Improve your buying skill

Bill Hanser had to cut down two trees to let sunlight into the living room. He hadn't realized how big they would get. His wife was pretty glum about it, especially when she remembered all the other mistakes they had made in buying. "When I added them up they came to $300," she lamented, "more than enough to buy that new refrigerator we always say we can't afford."

Purchasing managers in business buy carefully, or they're soon fired. The expert buyer is on his toes to improve in skill, knows all good sources of supply, and the advantages and disadvantages of each. He steadfastly refuses to buy merely on friendship, hunch, or passing whim.

Have you *that* kind of purchasing skill in your home? Do you keep abreast of price fluctuations to time your buying to your advantage? Do you shop unfamiliar stores to keep out of expensive buying ruts? Can you resist questionable bargains and high-pressure salesmen? Can you come home without wishing later that you hadn't bought one thing or another that you had seen?

Insure against any disaster

A good business operator insures adequately against every hazard that might spell disaster to his plant or its personnel. He also insures against lawsuits. Do you?

Are your home and its contents adequately protected against loss, accident, and destruction by fire, water damage, and other perils? Does your family have health and accident insurance? Is your life insurance set up so an unwise settlement won't dissipate the proceeds before your children are grown up? As for lawsuits, what protection would you have if a neighbor's youngster fell out of your tree? Or if your dog bit a deliveryman?

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Build credit standing

If you ever have to go borrowing, how well will you make out? You'll be asked the same questions as a borrowing railroad. How skillfully do you manage your affairs? How steady is your income? What collateral can you offer?

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Learn to forecast

Business must be able to guess with fair accuracy at what's ahead. The same ability can be helpful in your home. Yet most families do an awfully poor job of accurate forecasting.

You remember how utterly castdown the Millers were when their heating plant finally gave out? Are you preparing for the day when yours may go? And the Burrills; they should have known that all three of them would need new coats last winter, yet how surprised they were about it! And you're still laughing over the Penfields who bought a Great Dane without even thinking of what he would do to their meat bills.

The question, "What comes *after* I buy this?" can be a lifesaver. It chills your impulse to buy a home so big that it bankrupts you paying for unused space. It forces you to choose that new rug carefully so it won't demand new draperies because it's off-color.

Since the avoidance of expensive surprises is the forecaster's goal, exercise your present skill and watch that skill grow.

Can you retrench?

In spite of wise, careful behavior, a bolt from the blue may force you to retrench, suddenly, perhaps drastically. But how? Businessmen have three rules.

Don't let the matter drag; retrench promptly.

Don't use halfway measures; retrench adequately.

Don't make a few people suffer the full blow; spread it.

But here you are, up against it. That accurate record of expenses will show where to cut least painfully. Eliminating one pet extravagance may do the trick, or consolidating several of your most easily sacrificed pleasures. In despair, too many families think of selling their home or car when renting the guest room to schoolteachers or joining a car pool would solve the difficulty.

But it's rather late. The Big Shots are reaching for their hats, shaking your hand, heading for the door. Your imaginary meeting is over, but a mischievous flicker gleams from your eyes. That talk about retrenching gave you an idea. Alone again in the bosom of your family you say briskly, "Now let's sit down to a real meeting of our own. I want every one of you to tell me how we might cut wasteful expenses $500 a year."

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joints deeply raked to provide a wall pattern. Interior walls are of earth blocks. Concrete floors encase panel heating pipes. The roof is of tile shingles. These heat-resistant materials not only minimize the effect of the sun; they make the house fireproof as well.

Cross ventilation. To take advantage of the breeze from the southeast, bedrooms at the east side of the house were offset. Every room in the house has diagonal cross ventilation. The attic is ventilated by grills in the eaves, which provide an air opening the equivalent of 16 square feet.

Roof overhang. Enough roof overhang was provided to keep sun off the window glass and much of the exterior walls during the summer months. During the winter, the sun's rays are lower and miss the overhang to flood the rooms with light. The overhang above the large picture window in the living room is cut back, so the sun will do a more efficient heating job.

That window—giving the Barbours a view of a park across the street—is the key feature of the house. The wall in which the window is built is set back four feet from the dining and bedroom wings. Since the eave line is straight, the overhang is deep, offering protection for the front door, and shadow most of the day for the 12-foot-wide glass area. Directly above the window, the overhang is unroofed and forms a trellis.

By combining the right materials in the right way, the Barbours got a house that does its job of warding off the hot Kansas sun.

What's unusual about your home?

What have you done in *your* home to solve the problems your fellow readers are encountering, such as storage space, room for the extra guest, making rooms serve more than one purpose? Maybe you've found a good way to build on an unusual lot, to curb noise from a busy street, to make efficiency take the place of a large floor area, or achieve privacy without sacrificing sunlight.

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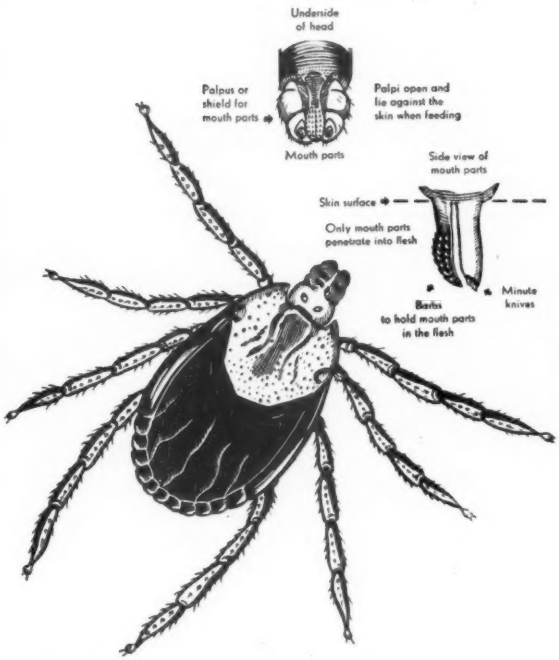
YOUR DOG AND MINE

Ticks are bad actors!

By Russell K. Lowry



What makes a tick tick: A tick grasps vegetation with its third pair of legs, leaving the others free to grab at passers-by. Once it finds a host, it cuts into the flesh with the tiny knives on the upper half of the mouth. When tick bites, a secretion keeps blood from coagulating

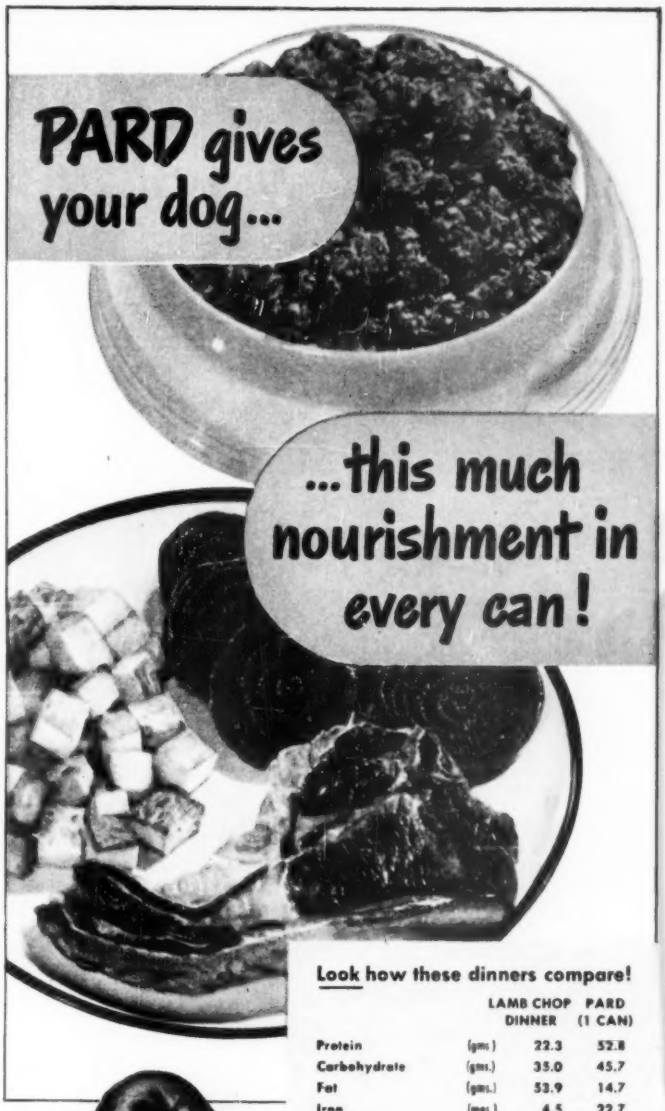
A score of years ago, ticks were "just another insect," abundant only in certain sections—the north woods of the Midwest, the Southland's wooded or swampy areas, some of the Rocky Mountain districts, and a few others.

But in the past decade or two ticks have spread themselves out over America. What caused this quick deployment (quick, in terms of animal-life evolution) we are not prepared to say, but entomologists all agree that rats and field mice are the chief tick carriers.

Ticks are bad medicine—tough customers. They bode no good for man or beast. Ordinarily a country pest, they're becoming increasingly attracted to city dogs—and one type of tick enjoys life within homes, being active the year round the same as bedbugs. But the sinister thing about ticks is that, besides draining off large quantities of the victim's blood, they sometimes transmit Rocky Mountain spotted fever and rabbit fever (tularemia), both of which can be deadly to animals and humans. These diseases do not occur in every locality where ticks are found—and in areas where they do occur, only one in several hundred ticks is infected. Tick paralysis can also be induced in dogs and humans by the bite of some species.

Called "dog ticks" or "wood ticks," there are eight different species so similar in appearance and habits that it is difficult for the unpracticed eye to differentiate between them, even with the aid of microscope. All are more or less parasites on dogs; some species will also feed on other animals, domestic or wild, and on humans. They all require blood to live and reproduce.

The American dog tick, the most abundant and widely distributed member of the tick family, is plentiful along the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, in the Mississippi Valley, and along the Pacific Coast up to Oregon, plus a few scattered localities elsewhere. A closely related species is the Rocky Mountain spotted-fever tick which is found in certain sections of the northern Rocky Mountain regions. A second near relative is the Pa-



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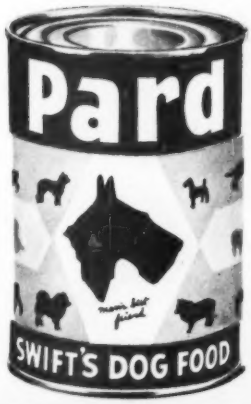

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cific Coast tick of California and southern Oregon.

The brown dog tick is numerous in Florida and Texas—but he thrives indoors,in practically every section of the United States. The black-legged tick occurs throughout the eastern part of the country, while his half-brother, the California black-legged tick is found in the West. The Gulf Coast tick is found all along the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean as far north as South Carolina. The Lone Star tick occurs in the East and as far west as Texas.

The tick's life cycle is approximately the same in all species. All pass through four stages—the egg, the seed tick (or larvae), the tick nymph, and the adult. Eggs are laid in a mass in protected areas—thick grass clumps, rotting wood, underbrush. Each female lays but one such mass of 3,000 to 6,000 eggs. The eggs hatch into tiny six-legged seed ticks which attach themselves to field mice, rats, or other rodents. Within 2 to 10 days they become well-stuffed on rodent blood, drop to the ground and shed their skins. That which emerges is the nymph tick, having eight legs. These nymphs then return to rodent hosts and become engorged with blood in 3 to 10 days, after which they again drop to the ground and molt, becoming full adult ticks.

The insidious thing about ticks is their ability to survive. For example, the larvae and nymphs can live for an entire year without attaching themselves to a host animal, while the adult ticks can get by for more than two years without their ration of blood. In other words, tick philosophy is that everything comes to him who waits!

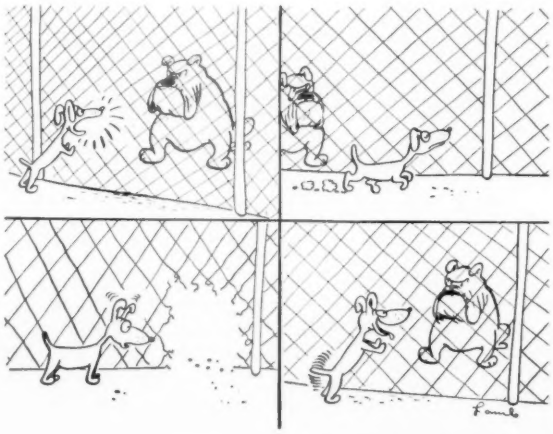
Tick adults of both sexes attach themselves to dogs or other large animals and feed on blood. The females become tremendously enlarged, sometimes reaching the proportions of a 25-cent piece. The males never increase in size.

The American dog tick gives dogs the most trouble. A roaming dog can easily pick up a hundred or more ticks each day. While dogs are seldom killed, even by heavy infestations, many have been mercifully destroyed because of their weakened condition, ill temper, suffering, and, in some cases, canine paralysis. A strong incentive to keep dogs free of this species is the fact that its bite can also transmit the dreaded diseases Rocky Mountain spotted fever and rabbit fever. For this reason, it is essential in the control measures which follow to remove the more headstrong insects by the use of tweezers. Drop the culprits into turpentine. If they are crushed, their blood should not be allowed to touch the skin. Hands should be carefully washed with strong soap and hot water when the job is finished.

One *good* thing (if such is possible) about the American dog tick is that its activities are confined to a few months of the year—April through July. However, in the extreme South, its operations are less restricted by the changing of the seasons.

The brown dog tick, which runs the American dog tick a good race for top honors in universal distribution, is particularly troublesome because of its living habits. Where other species require a vegetative cover and wild animal hosts to complete development, the brown dog tick can live in kennels, barns, even homes, with its period of activity spread over 12 months. Dogs kept indoors are thus fair game for these indoor livers and frequently become infested with hundreds of larvae, nymphs, and adults. The various stages of development, including egg-laying, are carried on inside baseboards and crevices, behind window casements, in furniture, and in the folds of curtains.

The Rocky Mountain spotted fever tick, the Pacific Coast tick, the black-legged tick, the California black-legged tick, the Lone Star tick, the Gulf Coast tick—all are outdoor livers, with feeding and propagation habits quite like



those of the American dog tick. The presence of Rocky Mountain spotted fever ticks is always cause for alarm, as they are dangerous vendors of disease. In addition they transmit tularemia and Colorado tick fever.

Control measures are about the same for all ticks. DDT has turned out to be the panacea for tick control. Spray infested dogs with a water-base ("wettable") DDT solution. Read the label! Respray the dog weekly for three weeks. Help the job along by uprooting and removing tenacious members of the tick clan from the dog's skin with tweezers. Then, spray sleeping quarters and vicinity with an oil-base DDT solution. Respray twice a month for two months. If there are brown dog ticks present, get the DDT into the breeding nests by using enough pressure to force the liquid into all cracks and crevices within six feet of the dog's bed.

Other effective liquids and powders, all aimed at tick destruction, are making their appearance. Several laboratories report good success with formulas which are not only promising tick destroyers, but also wipe out those other two big-time operators on dogs—lice and fleas. In other words, chemical science is up in arms against the tick menace, and in the near future these hard-boiled blood pillagers should cease to be a major threat to dogs—and humans.

Of course, one can't spray the whole world—but it must be remembered that a tick-freed dog can promptly go out and gather up a fresh batch from contact with outside shrubbery, heavy grass growths, woodpiles, underbrush. Ticks in an infested area can be eliminated with DDT—or by thoroughly applying a spray made of 1 part of nicotine sulfate (40-percent nicotine), 1 part soap, and 288 parts of water. This is about 8 teaspoons of nicotine sulfate to 3 gallons of water. Sprayed vegetation remains free of ticks for three to four days.

Destruction of rats and field mice will retard tick development to a marked degree. Keeping underbrush, grass, and weeds closely cut tends to drive out rodents and removes protection favorable to the ticks themselves. Removal of old woodpiles and wood chips is a good control measure, too.

Ticks are tough customers—but alert dog owners, armed with DDT and some spirited determination, can be just a little tougher. One lady kennel owner in Florida wrote us, "In past years, ticks used to drive the dogs and us simply crazy . . . but since DDT came along, all our troubles disappeared into thin air . . . they're gone . . . and good riddance!"

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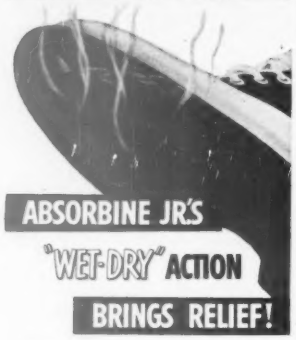

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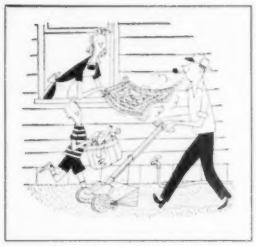
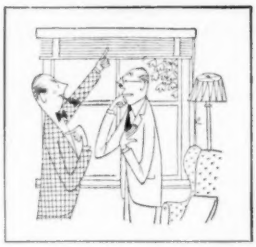
By O. J. Scoville and Arthur R. Lee



Have your house looking its best

When your house is shown, don't be in it



Don't argue about leaving fixtures

When you sell your home to build another, or to move to a different city, you're entitled to its fair value on the current market. But getting that value is up to you, alone.

Selling your home is going to be a little harder in the future than it has been in the past few years. You may have to put forth a little more effort, and be a little more patient, to get your price. And you should be realistic about what that price ought to be.

Above all, you'll have to plan the sale of your home carefully. This applies to the time of selling, the price, and the method.

The time to sell

You probably won't be entirely free to decide when to sell, but you'll have some leeway. If prices continue their downward trend, you won't want to hold your property too long. But it may pay to wait for the season of greatest market strength.

The normal real-estate market in most communities has a well-defined annual cycle, with periods in which it is very dull, and others of greater activity. These vary with localities, but as a rule the spring is best, and the three or four weeks around the beginning of the school year usually are good. Real-estate agents, savings and loan associations, mortgage bankers, and others familiar with the market can tell you the best time to sell.

How much should you ask?

Your next job is to set a price. Here, again, you'll do well to go to the experts for advice. The time is past when you could price a house one- or two-thousand dollars above the market and wait for advancing values to catch up. Now if your price is out of line, a receding market may leave you still owning your house.

Ask a few real-estate agents to estimate the value of your house. They usually will make an appraisal without charge in the hope of future business. In addition, you may want to hire a professional appraiser. A building and loan association, or your bank, can put you in touch with an appraiser.

Then go shopping yourself. Compare your home with similar houses for sale in neighborhoods like yours. You can't learn too much about the market: You have to set a price that will be reasonable—an overpriced house can stay on the market too long. On the other hand, you have to make allowance for your real-estate agent's fee, and leave some margin for dickering.

How will you sell your house?

Most houses are sold by real-estate agents. But many are sold by their owners.

Unless you have considerable experience, you'll do well to leave the selling to a real-estate agent. He can attract more prospective buyers than you; he can screen out the shoppers more easily than you and, unless you're a good salesman, he can do a better job of completing the sale.

Selecting an agent

Select your agent with care—an inactive agent can cost you money and time. An active agent will be advertising consistently, and will have a considerable list of property for sale.

A good firm need not be large. Often one- or two-man firms have outstanding reputations for effective selling and fair dealing. Take the usual precautions to make sure your agent has a sound reputation.

Your brokerage agreement

Property usually is listed with agents in one of two ways—open or exclusive. An open listing means simply that any agent may sell the property, or the owner himself may sell it, and whoever makes the sale gets the commission. The drawback is, of course, that no agent is going to do much advertising of property that someone else may sell. However, if you do list your home with several agents, you should be sure to notify each as soon as it is sold.

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will get his commission when the house is sold, even though the owner himself sells it. And if you will be away, you will have just one agent responsible for the property.

In some cities, agents use a multiple-listing system. Under it, all houses are automatically listed with all the agents in the local real-estate association.

You probably won't have much choice about the type of agreement you make. Commission rates in most communities are uniform and rigidly maintained. But you will be able to limit the length of time the listing is to be exclusive. The terms vary sometimes with the seasonal market activity, but many listings are made for periods of 60 days or even longer, if circumstances warrant. Your agreement should provide an automatic release at the end of the specified period. Unless you renew the agreement, copies of it should be canceled.

For you many readers who have requested the information, Glynne W. Shifflet, A.I.A., of Minneapolis, is the man responsible for the design of the Trend house, which appeared in *Better Homes & Gardens* for June, beginning on page 42.

Advertise

If you feel you're qualified to sell your house yourself, don't depend on a two- or three-line advertisement when you put your house on the market. Take enough space—in the classified section of your newspaper—to describe the principal features of your house. In most communities the Sunday paper has the widest circulation, so time your ad to start on that day.

Beware over-advertising your house. Prospective buyers will recognize it after a time, and will think it has faults that have kept it from selling. If your local radio station has a homes-for-sale program, you may do well to have your home described on it.

Get your house ready

Have your house looking its best. It's not necessary to redecorate, unless you've been putting the job off too long. Most new home-owners have their own decorating ideas, anyway. But make sure the walls and woodwork are cleaned, the floors are shining, the windows bright, and the yard and walks tidy.

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Give your agent a break

Have a definite agreement with your agent regarding the hours when your house will be shown. Either set a certain time of the day, or have it understood that the house will be open only by appointment. That will give you time to

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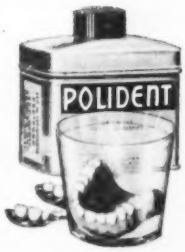

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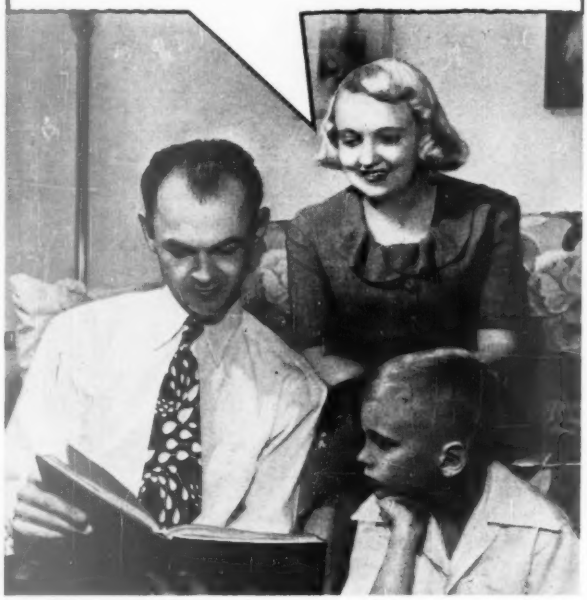

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The oximeter was developed during the war by Dr. Glenn Millikan to help flyers threatened with blacking out at high altitudes. It first came into use in polio about three years ago at the University of Minnesota while an epidemic was raging in that state.

The fabulous drug curare, introduced to the court of Queen Elizabeth by Sir Walter Raleigh, may revolutionize the general care of polio. Industrial laboratories have taken what was once a poison used by Indians on their arrow tips, and developed a drug that doctors can prescribe safely in small doses.

If POLIO strikes!

SUPPOSE the youngster next door gets polio. What do you do? Here are the questions you, as a parent, want answered.

What are the early symptoms?

Headache is rare among children, especially if there appears to be little else wrong. When polio is about, any child with a bad headache should be hurried to the hospital for observation. Any youngster with fever, however slight, should be put to bed and kept there for at least a day after temperature is normal. Parents had better err in being too careful than risk taking chances. Polio seems to deal its most severe blow during the first few days when it appears to be nothing worse than a cold or upset stomach. Overexertion at this point may mean crippling later.

How contagious *is* polio?

Not very. Not in the same sense as measles, whooping cough, or scarlet fever. There is no reason for general hospitals to refuse to admit polio victims. The same safeguards which protect other patients against pneumonia will protect them against polio.

Should you go away during an epidemic?

No. If polio strikes in your community—stay put. Stay calm.

Why stay home?

Like the common cold and pneumonia, polio can be caused by any one of several virus organisms. Just how many is not yet known, although it may be by 1951 or 1952.

The odds are better than 1,000 to 1 that the members of your family will build up their own protection against the particular virus that's responsible for polio—in the community where you live. But rushed off to the mountains or seashore, your family may come in contact with a different virus. Fairs, circuses, and other celebrations that bring people to your town from other communities may bring some who carry polio if there's an epidemic where they came from.

Why doesn't *everyone* get it?

Doctors don't know. Anything which lowers body resistance is believed to give the virus a better chance. Many physicians urge that tonsil removals be avoided during summer and early fall.

Why don't more grownups get it?

Probably because the virus is so widespread, everyone is exposed to it. Long contact with the virus has made most adults immune. But don't think of polio as merely a children's disease. While most victims are 9 to 15, polio may strike any age. Some of the most serious victims are

with POLIO?

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Because it was misunderstood at first, curare got an undeserved bad name among polio fighters. About five years ago, they discovered that curare gave dramatic results in allaying pain and loosening twisted muscles. But hardly had the so-called curative powers of the drug been publicized before its benefits departed. The paralyzed limbs were again twisted and painful.

Dr. W. D. Paul, of the University of Iowa, could not, however, forget the relief curare had given the polio sufferers. And, reasoning that the manner of use, rather than the drug, had been at fault, he again experimented. This time he substituted curare for the hot packs used to soften muscles and relieve pain so that disease-ridden limbs could be exercised. Curare accomplished the same thing as the packs and did it better.

Best of all, the hours nurses had spent preparing and applying packs could be utilized in exercising muscles or giving added care to patients. I have talked with some of these nurses and know how grateful both they and the patients are for this newer use of curare.

One group of 26 polio victims ranged from 14 to 37 years of age. When admitted to the University of Iowa Hospital, 11 were in great pain and their muscles [*Turn to next page*

older people who paid no attention to warning symptoms.

Are there polio carriers?

For each person who gets sick, 100 or more who show no symptoms harbor polio virus in their throats, noses, or intestinal tracts. Each person harboring virus becomes a potential carrier. And there is no practical method of detection. But because few people are susceptible, polio carriers are not the menace that typhoid carriers, for example, are.

How important is sanitation?

Because there are carriers, cleanliness is important. Only clean things should enter the mouth when polio is around, since the virus probably enters the body through the mouth. Unclean hands soiled by body discharges may pass the virus along to food. Remind children to keep things out of their mouths, to wash fruits and vegetables, and to refrain from swapping bits of gum or candy. Garbage should be tightly covered.

Does spraying help?

Flies have been fairly well vindicated as epidemic causers, but polio virus does show up in flyspecks some three weeks after an epidemic starts. Nevertheless, polio fighters hesitate to recommend DDT spraying.

A spraying campaign to exterminate both flies and polio was tried in Egypt. In a short time, clouds of bigger and better flies replaced those killed by DDT. Worst of all, the epidemic didn't show even a temporary setback.

What about complications?

Sore throat, nausea, vomiting, headache, fever, drowsiness, or simple common cold symptoms usually occur several days before the more serious indications. Some authorities believe that many who undergo cold-like symptoms during epidemics actually have light cases of polio. Why they escape so lightly and others develop the paralytic form is another mystery.

Overheating, overexertion, and chilling following the first mild stage of polio may be responsible for later serious complications.

Should schools be closed?

A comparison in Massachusetts between the number of new cases resulting in areas where schools were closed and those where schools stayed open indicated that schools should remain in session. Incipient cases of polio were more easily spotted. And children were better safeguarded for the most part. The only exception was in rural areas involving long trips to school.

What about swimming?

"It all depends." Streams polluted by raw, untreated sewage are considered dangerous. But proof is still lacking that polio has ever resulted from swimming in unsanitary water. The job of deciding whether a swimming place is safe or polluted belongs to your local department of health.

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Mix egg yolk with a small amount of the milk in saucepan. Add remaining milk, Minute Tapioca, 2 or 3 tablespoons sugar, and salt. Place over medium heat. Cook until mixture comes to a full boil, stirring constantly—this takes 5 to 8 minutes. (Do not overcook . . . mixture thickens as it cools.) Remove from heat.

Pour small amount of hot mixture gradually on egg-white meringue; blend. Add remaining mixture, stirring constantly (the hotter the tapioca, the thicker this pudding will be). Add vanilla. Cool, stirring after 15 to 20 minutes. Then fold in chocolate chips. Chill.

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Are we getting anywhere with polio?

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were tightly twisted, although there was no actual paralysis. The other 15 were also in pain and had varying degrees of paralysis. Injections of curare were given every 8 hours for the first 24 hours. After that, the injections were continued, but dosage was decreased. Stretching exercises were carried out 30 to 40 minutes after each injection.

Those who received treatment a few days after serious polio symptoms were noticed were comfortable two to seven days after they started getting curare. Polio victims who hadn't been hospitalized until one to two weeks had gone by required 10 to 14 days to get similar relief. But—and here is the really amazing part—a similar group treated by the hot pack and stretching method as followed in most hospitals required 9 to 150 days to get the same results those treated with curare got in one day to two weeks.

The end results—in most cases complete recovery and no crippling aftereffects—were the same for both groups. Doctor Paul and his associates are most anxious that nobody consider curare a polio cure. On the other hand, its use facilitates the early part of the treatment. The curare-treated sufferers are most comfortable and so are willing to be exercised earlier, and through a gradually increasing range of motion. The effect of all this upon morale is obvious.

A young wife was in her last month of pregnancy. Polio struck. Her doctor rushed her to the hospital. Two days later, she was comfortable. The muscles could be easily stretched. Curare injections were stopped shortly before the baby was due. The birth was perfectly normal; the baby was all right. Curare was withheld a few days, also the stretching. Pain and tightness returned. Curare was given. She was comfortable again in 10 days. The pain and tightness did not return.

Lack of enthusiasm for curare among polio fighters in other parts of the country doesn't discourage Doctor Paul and his associates. They feel that the results speak for themselves. It should be stressed, however, that these physicians labored for many months before they announced that their technique was past the experimental stage.

Even without accepting the claims for curare, polio fighters generally have good reason to feel grateful. Last year saw the greatest number of cases ever reported. Nearly 28,000 people were stricken. But more than half recovered without any crippling aftereffects. Another 30 percent came through with but slight disabilities. And only 1 in 30 died.

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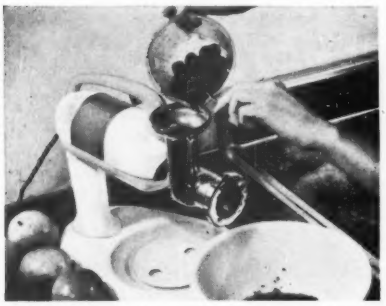
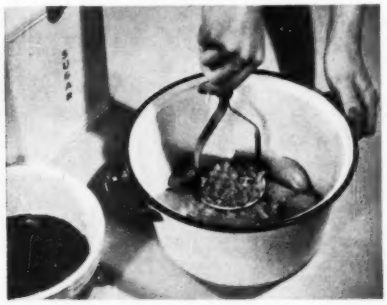


1. Grind or chop cherries; slice strawberries. Measure fruit (there should be 1½ cups of cherries or 1¾ cups of strawberries) and place in a large saucepan



2. Thoroughly crush fully ripe peaches which have been peeled and pitted. Add enough peaches (about 2½ cups) to strawberries or cherries to make 4 cups of fruit

3. Cook over high heat. Add 1 2½-ounce box powdered fruit pectin; stir until mixture comes to full boil; add 5 cups sugar. Boil 1 minute, stirring constantly

4. Remove from heat, skim, and ladle quickly into hot, sterilized glasses. Seal with paraffin at once. This recipe will make eight 6-ounce glasses of peach jam

Strawberry and Fresh Peach Jam

There's a subtle hint of fresh strawberries in this deep red jam—

1 box (1 pound) frozen sweetened, sliced strawberries, thawed
2¼ cups prepared peaches
5 cups sugar
1 box (2½ ounces) powdered fruit pectin

Measure strawberries and place in a large saucepan (there should be about 1¾ cups). Peel and pit about 2½ pounds fully ripe peaches. Crush thoroughly. Add enough peaches (about 2¼ cups) to strawberries to make 4 cups fruit. Measure sugar and set aside. Place saucepan holding fruit over high heat. Add fruit pectin and stir until mixture comes to a hard boil. At once stir in sugar. Bring to a *full rolling boil* and *boil hard 1 minute*, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; skim jam mixture; ladle quickly into hot, sterilized glasses. Paraffin at once. Makes about eight 6-ounce glasses.

Cherry and Fresh Peach Jam

A box of frozen cherries lends a fresh tartness to ripe peaches—

1 box (1 pound) quick-frozen red, sour, pitted cherries, thawed
2½ cups prepared peaches
5 cups sugar
1 box (2½ ounces) powdered fruit pectin

Drain cherries, reserving juice. Chop or grind cherries; combine with juice. Measure cherries into large saucepan. (There should be about 1½ cups.) Peel and pit about 2½ pounds fully ripe peaches. Crush thoroughly. Add enough peaches (about 2½ cups) to cherries to make 4 cups fruit. Measure sugar and set aside. Place saucepan holding fruit over high heat. Add fruit pectin and stir until mixture comes to a hard boil. At once stir in sugar. Bring to a *full rolling boil* and *boil hard 1 minute*, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; skim; ladle quickly into glasses. Paraffin at once. Makes about eight 6-ounce glasses.

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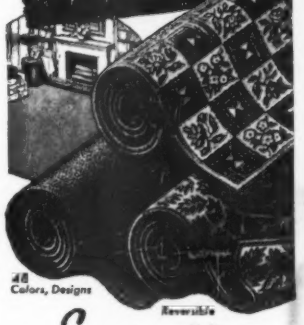

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- Destroy weeds before they have a chance to seed
- Water young shrubs and trees thoroughly
- Cultivate and water strawberry beds regularly for heavy bearing next season

SOUTH

Sow seed of candytuft, hollyhocks, and yellow alyssum in Upper and Middle South. Plant quick-flowering, heat-loving annuals such as cosmos and zinnias for fall flowers in Middle and Lower South. Plant pansy seed in Lower South for winter blooms.

Plant autumn crocus, Madonna lily, and iris; plant glad bulbs along Gulf Coast and Florida.

Prune roses half as heavily as in March in Middle and Upper South. Feed at rate of four pounds per 100 square feet of bed area and soak thoroughly.

Feed dahlias and mums; water and mulch for heavy fall blooms. Water often shrubs and trees planted last fall.

Plan for new lawns to be planted next month. Order grass seed. Mow permanent lawns regularly. Apply plant food just before showers to give grass a boost. Planting "hulled" Bermuda grass seed is still in order.

Cut all faded flowers; more blooms will result.

—W. Elbridge Freeborn

TEXAS-SOUTHWEST

Plant Madonna lilies but wait till after first soaking rain to plant iris, daylilies, and peonies.

Sow seed of pansies, stocks, Texas bluebells, and wallflowers in flats for sturdy plants to set out before frost. Plant seed of beebalm and sunflowers, as soon as ripe. Start gaillardias and pyrethrum in sun and columbine in semi-shade. Sprinkle peatmoss instead of soil over seeds and water daily.

Dust phlox with sulfur. Remove and burn spent flower heads. Keep mums completely coated with fungicide. Stop pinching mums first week of August. Start 10-day feedings with dissolved plant food when buds appear.

Start new begonias, coleus, plumbago, and other house plants now. Sink pots in flower border, insert slips, and bring rooted plants indoors before frost.

—Marian Price Scruggs

CENTRAL-EAST

Start all necessary grading and constructing work this month; build walls, pools, walks, outdoor fireplaces, and flagstone terraces in grassless, shaded areas.

Make a new lawn later in month. Apply lead arsenate before plowing in Japanese beetle areas.

Kill weeds in old lawns with 2,4-D the first of August; fertilize late in the month and water immediately. Reseed bare spots and keep seeding moist.

Trim evergreens. Cut new pine shoots a foot or more in length back to four inches; nip back new yews and arborvitae shoots two inches if growth is compact; cut back four inches if loosely grown. Cut back petunias, verbenas, and similar annuals part way for renewed growth.

Inspect lilacs and dogwoods for borers. Use oilcan to inject a few drops of carbon disulfide in each borer hole found in the lilacs; plug hole at once with mud. Dig borers out of dogwoods and waterproof any wounds over two inches with tree paint to prevent drying and promote healing.

—Harvey Bicknell

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

Soak your rose plants once a week; stop feeding and cut off oldest canes of climbers at ground level.

Divide and reset lily-of-the-valley roots; use only large ones for planting. Divide and replant primroses and heuchera not later than first week of month; examine roots for strawberry weevil grubs. Dig bulbs of the baby glads now for replanting in September.

Pick and burn gall-infected azalea leaves. Spray bushes before and after flowering with a copper spray.

Feed tomatoes, squash, and cucumbers liquid fertilizer twice a month. Side-dress other vegetables with a complete fertilizer and water. Plant fall vegetables.

Cut off old canes of raspberries, loganberries, and boysenberries soon after all fruit is picked.

—Ada V. Turner

CALIFORNIA

Sow newly matured seed of delphinium, columbine, viola, and pentstemon. Divide and reset early spring-flowering perennials like iris and polyantha primroses.

Cut back carnations for fall and winter bloom. Remove a few disfiguring branches from pelargoniums now; wait until later to remove the others.

Feed and water roses, fuchsias, tuberous begonias, and camellias. Feed mums every 10 days until the buds show color. Feed, water, and mulch strawberry beds to build up strong bearing plants for next season.

—Alfred C. Hottes

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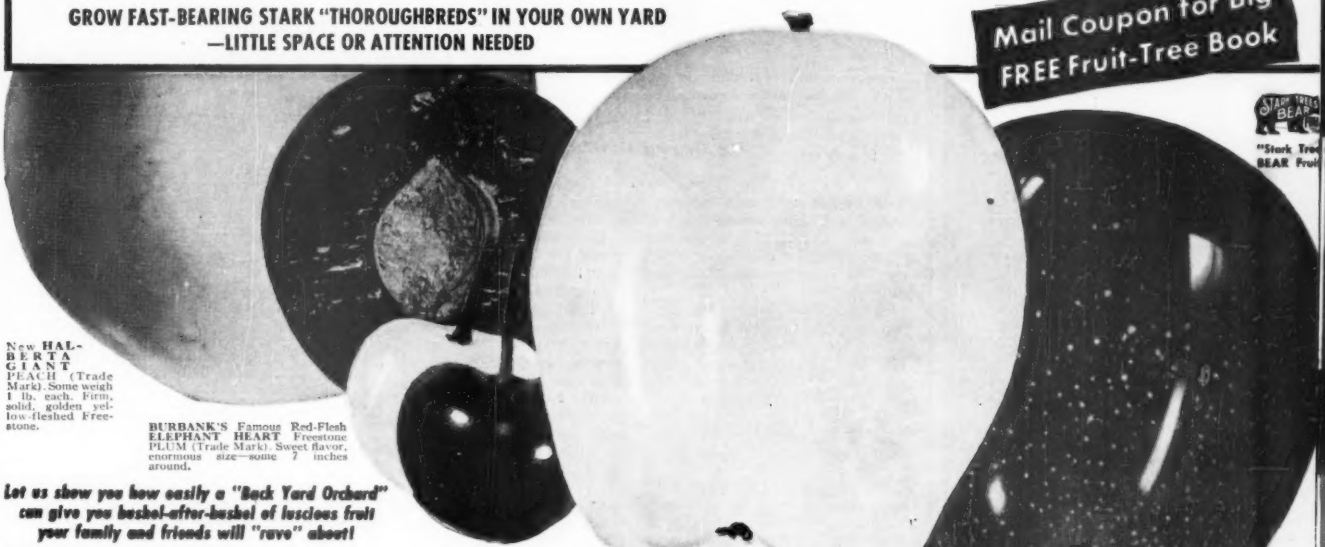

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Plain dirt gardener

A miracle of a minor sort today—David got out under a broiling sun and hoed weeds out of more than half of one rose bed

By Harry R. O'Brien

Aug. 10 Am heading in the direction of home from a long business trip and called Maggie on the phone tonight from Illinois. News was bad. Maggie is downright discouraged.

"Hurry back," she moaned. "You're needed. The bugs and worms are eating everything up. The bagworms are on the evergreens and the little oak tree. Some white worm is killing the shrub dogwoods. Grasshoppers are eating everything up. David was out hoeing this afternoon and laid his handkerchief on the grass to dry. When he picked it up again, the hoppers had eaten it full of holes."

Aug. 12 Pulled in home about 9:30 tonight, somewhat the worse for the long travel. The quarter moon was so low down and dim,

Quarter moon was dim when I ended my trip. Snuck a look at the garden but couldn't make heads or tails of it

I couldn't make head nor tail of the garden, as I snuck a quick look while carrying in my luggage. So I just settled down in my easy chair to listen to the home gossip as related by Maggie.

Aug. 13 Dearie me—out to survey the landscape, and to view with mixed emotions what has happened since I left on my trip. And right off I discovered that Maggie had done a lot of exaggerating about the bug damage. David had slackened up on dusting the potatoes, and the leaves are being damaged by leaf hoppers—or maybe it's flea beetle.

But otherwise things look pretty good. In the vegetable garden, there is an abundance of sweet corn and beans. Tomatoes coming on. Cabbage plentiful.

And you should see the glads. Never in my life have I grown such gorgeous beauty with them on this plantation. Every bloom spike it seems is four feet high or more. And the dahlias, coming on slowly, are stocky and healthy looking. Peonies have been worked at by David and are better than any time in the past five years.

At work time, dug first new potatoes of season. I came in with about a peck. I had a few big ones on top when I showed 'em to Maggie. She was amazed. Her grumbles about the little ones will be along in about three days.

Aug. 15 Here I've been waiting for three days for the wind to let up, so I could renew the battle against the bugs. Said wind still persists. So I began dusting anyhow.

First job was to put rotenone dust on the cabbage and finished what was left in the little duster on the bush beans—the first planting, now in good bearing. For vegetables to be eaten shortly, rotenone is the accepted bug killer, for it isn't "pizen" to humans. Just bugs and things.

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Final chore was to reload with some of this general-purpose dust and give the roses as good a going over as I could. It was blowing too much. What I should have done here would have been to use the new power sprayer, for spraying

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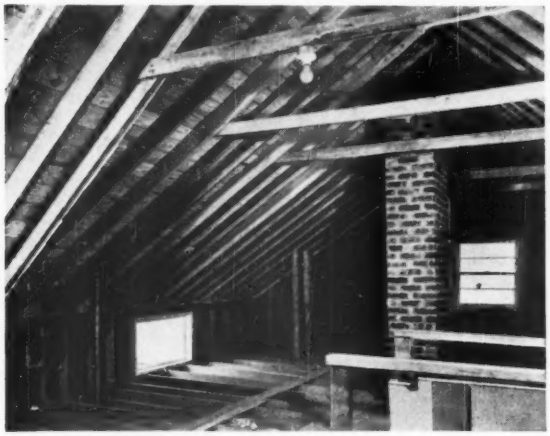

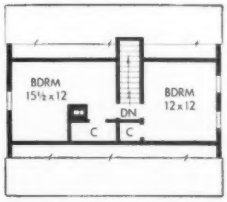

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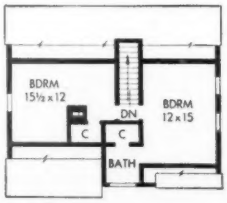

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Pin-up swivel spotlight	6.00
Table, 30"x30"	24.00
Three side chairs @ $13.95	41.85
Wall mirror, 3'x6'	23.72
Framed print	13.25
Drapery fabric, 26 yds. @ $2.25	66.30
Three pillows @ $3.98	11.94
TOTAL FOR LIVING ROOM	$490.04

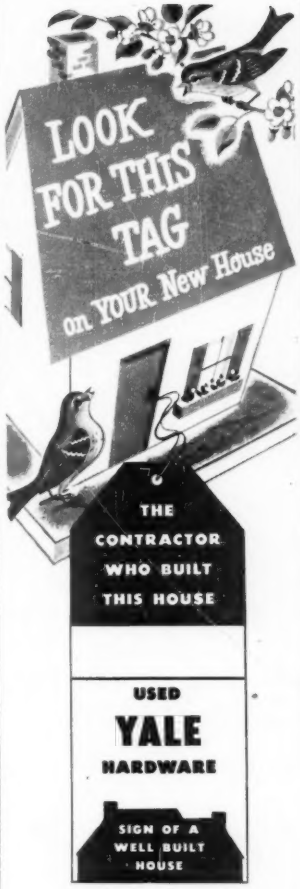

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Plate glass top, 18"x30"	5.22
Three-way vanity mirror	12.98
String rug, 4'x6'	11.95
Bedspread fabric, 9 yds. @ $2.75	24.75
Drapery fabric, 8 yds. @ $2.25	18.00
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Studio bed	$ 49.50
Lumber for bookcase-desk	9.26
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KITCHEN

Table, 30"x30"	$ 24.00
Three side chairs @ $13.95	41.85
Flexible wooden screen	12.00
Kitchen curtains, 5 yds. @ $1.76	8.80
TOTAL FOR KITCHEN	$ 86.65

BATHROOM

Shower curtain	$ 6.45
TOTAL FOR BATHROOM	$ 6.45

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TOTAL FOR HOUSE

Living room	$490.04
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Children's room	146.30
Kitchen	86.65
Bathroom	6.45
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Youngster's fears

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till a storm is over. After awhile, he'll realize that the thunder and lightning aren't going to hurt him and he'll get over his fear himself. And remember, your boy or girl can take frightening experiences in stride if he knows that you are near. When you're away, the same things can be very terrifying.

If your youngster is to meet a stranger for the first time, be sure you're with him. Many a child develops a deep-dyed fear of strangers after he's rushed at and gushed over when alone by someone he has never seen before.

If he has never seen the ocean, don't put him down at the water's edge while you go off to take a sunbath. The first sight and sound of rushing waves may terrify a child who has never seen them before.

You can head off frightening experiences *before* they happen. Don't take 9-months-old Susie down to the station platform just as an ear-splitting locomotive roars past. Don't show year-old Johnnie toys that suddenly jump out at him. Don't blow the car horn too close to his face. Don't start the vacuum cleaner while he's crawling across the floor.

Sometimes it's not easy to see life through children's eyes or to know how they are likely to feel at different ages. When David was 5, he suddenly developed a fear of crippled people. When he and his mother would pass someone with a physical handicap, David would start to whimper and cling to his mother's coat. For days afterwards he'd talk about the experience.

David's mother might not have worried so much if she'd known that many children his age develop fears of crippled people or invalids. That's because they've just become aware of what it means to be physically handicapped, and they're afraid that the same thing may happen to them. Often children of David's age also develop a fear of death, as they come to understand what death means.

If you aren't on the alert for such fears, you may not know what to do about them when they show up. Whatever you do, don't make the mistake of teasing or scolding your child about his fears. When your little boy plaintively asks, "Will I die, Mommy?" don't try to distract him or give him an evasive answer. Instead you should reassure him with "Someday, but not for a long, long time." Hold him close to you when you say it, let him feel your warmth and comforting bulk, until he senses that he really has nothing to be afraid of.

Children don't always *show* the fears they feel. Often they attempt to cover up their anxieties with aggressive or defiant behavior. Sometimes, a fearful child is an excessively good child, whose parents never guess that anything is troubling him.

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little girl, she has never given her folks a moment's trouble. When Mother and Dad have a dinner date (and they often do), Mimi never seems to mind if Grandma comes to give her her supper. When Mimi's class puts on a play and she's in it, Mimi never cares if mother is too busy to come. And she always is.

Mimi's parents would be shocked to know that their Mimi is a desperately troubled little girl hounded by the most serious fear a child can have: *the fear that her parents don't love her.* Of course, they do, but like many other parents they don't always show their love in a way their child can understand.

If your child is unsure of your love, he may try to hide his feelings as Mimi does, or he may cling helplessly to you and make no effort to become independent. Or else he may transfer his deep fear to things which don't really frighten him. Many times a child who seems to be afraid of animals or doctors' offices is actually expressing his inner fear that his mother and dad don't love and want him.

This isn't to say that every time a child shows a fear of animals or doctors or anything else, you should assume he's troubled by emotional insecurity. It may happen that he fears animals because he knows from experience that they may hurt him.

If your child fears an animal because he has been scratched, bitten, or frightened by one, don't try to cope with the fear by re-exposing him to the frightening experience.

Never make a frightened child pet a cat or a dog to prove it won't hurt him. Perhaps, if you hold Johnny close and speak in reassuring tones, *you* might do the petting. But be careful to keep the animal far enough from Johnny so Johnny won't be scared.

Whenever your child shows signs of wanting to get over his fears (and he will if you give him the chance), give him what help you can. Encourage him to talk over his fears. Let him play them out in games and stories. But never, never tease him or laugh at him.

No child can be forced or reasoned into giving up a fear. He can be led up to doing it only when he feels safe. So don't hurry him.

It will be more difficult for you to help your child overcome a fear if you helped him to develop it in the first place. Of course, *you* don't trot out those old threats about "the bad man who'll get you if you don't eat your peas!" (You'd be surprised how many parents still scare their children into obedience by bandying threats about the policeman, the fireman, and, worst of all, the doctor.)

But perhaps you plant fears in your boy or girl in other, more subtle ways. Often parents are unaware how their casual actions may bring on serious tensions in their children. You may think your child isn't paying attention when you remark to friend Mary that you dread going to the dentist because the last time was such agony. But even young children hear and understand more than you give them credit for.

It's remarkable how often parents and children harbor the same fear. True, if you've always been afraid of doctors or if you wince at thunder and lightning, it may not be easy to hide your feelings. But unless you do, your boy or girl may grow up hounded by the same fears which hound you.

Remember: Whether your child fears robbers or dentists or going to bed in the dark, you can help him to grow out of his fear by building up confidence in himself. Help him become outgoing and friendly. Teach him new skills suitable to his age. Take an interest in his interests. Don't forget to tell him you love him, very much. Then he'll know you're on *his* side, no matter what. Then he'll know he has nothing to fear.

Help for hay fever

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on 67 patients. In the *New England Journal of Medicine*, they reported 86 percent relief in hay fever, and 85 percent in perennial allergies. Dr. Fred W. Wittach of Minneapolis, secretary-treasurer of the American College of Allergists, is another who has reported dramatic results with Trimeton.

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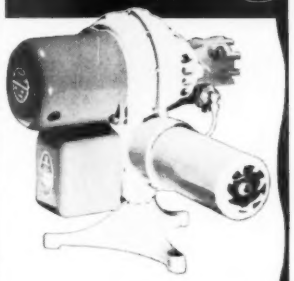

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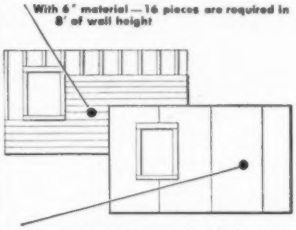

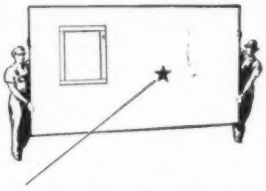

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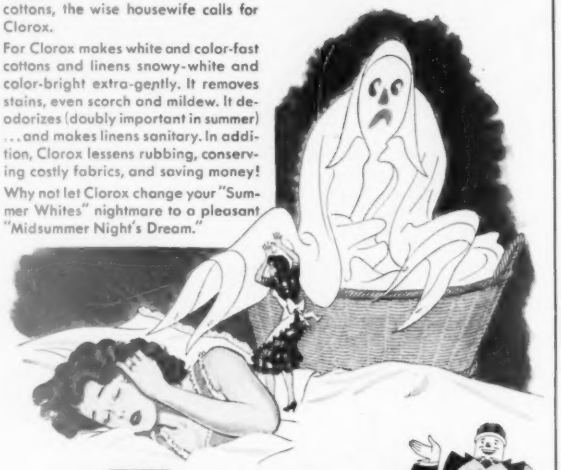

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Help for hay fever

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ragweed. Most of the anti-histamine drugs had been used on him without success. Some even produced vomiting and skin rashes.

The physicians at the Boston Dispensary prescribed Trimeton. He took one tablet at bedtime each night, plus half a tablet twice daily.

To his amazement, he was able to sleep all night. His sneezing, running nose, and watery eyes cleared up immediately. He continued the medication for a month without his symptoms recurring.

When he stopped Trimeton his symptoms returned within three days. He started taking it again, and his allergic condition cleared immediately. He had no more relapses as long as he continued taking Trimeton.

A college girl, 18, was sensitive to several common foods. Every time she ate them she would break out with giant hives on her eyelids and lips. They caused her great embarrassment. She quit college and refused to leave the house. Tests revealed she was sensitive to wheat, eggs, codfish, and Brazil nuts. So allergic was she to these foods that even the small test doses increased her hives.

Doctor Brown gave her two tablets of Trimeton twice a day. It only took two doses to bring complete relief. Her hives disappeared in 10 days. As long as she continued taking Trimeton, she could safely eat small quantities of the foods to which she was allergic.

One of the most dramatic recoveries was that of a 6-year-old girl with bronchial asthma associated with sinus and bronchial infection. She was so thin and rundown her family doctor said she should be kept out of school.

The little girl got moderate relief with two Trimeton tablets three times a day. Another medicine was also used, but it was not in itself capable of clearing the symptoms. No side effects were observed. The child was reported completely well in two months.

Doctor Brown and associates emphasize that before the drug is used patients must consult with their physicians. Trimeton cannot be obtained without a prescription, although it is not habit-forming and does not have any toxic effect on the average person. Known scientifically as Prophenpyridamine, Trimeton is available everywhere on a prescription. A month's supply costs about $2.

It's important to note that Trimeton is useful only when you are actually suffering from your allergy. It doesn't do any good to take it in advance in hope of building up immunity.

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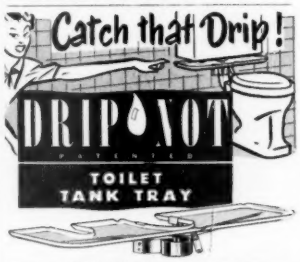

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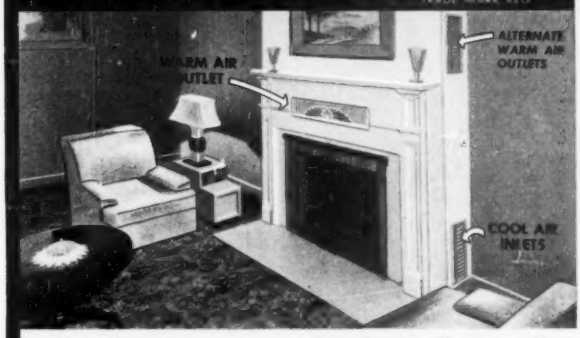

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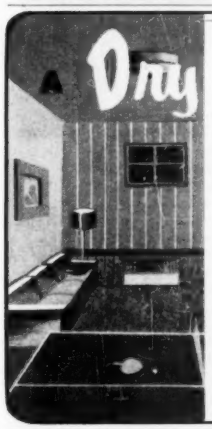

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get the dishes washed and to give the rug a last vacuuming. Then get out. Prospective buyers will be more at ease if you're not at home, and it will be easier for your agent to talk business with them. Finally, you won't be tempted to help the salesman. If you've done a good job of selecting a broker, he'll do his job without your help. What you believe may be a good sales point may be something he'd rather not mention to his current prospects.

If it's not convenient for you to go for a ride when the agent shows the house, keep in the background and make sure your children and pets aren't in the way.

At the time you list your house with an agent, take him over your home carefully, pointing out all its advantages. If the house was built by a contractor with a reputation for good workmanship, mention it. Point out any quality features. If you have installed a new furnace or roof, call it to his attention.

Live in the house

If it's at all possible, continue to live in the house until it's sold. An unfurnished house looks barren and cold. Buyers don't realize it, but very often they're influenced as much by your decorating as by your house itself.

Moreover, leaving your home vacant won't put you in the best possible frame of mind for driving a good bargain.

What should be left in the house?

Your sales agreement will list the major items of equipment or furnishings—if any—that will be left in the house. In some communities equipment, such as window shades, curtain rods, and light bulbs, customarily are left in the house; in others, they are seldom left. Reach an agreement with the family buying your house, but don't haggle—it may, under some conditions, cost you the sale.

Who pays taxes and insurance?

In some communities it's customary for real-estate taxes to be prorated to the date of the sale. In other words, you would pay taxes for the time you've owned the house. In others, the seller pays all taxes due and payable at the time of the sale. Fire-insurance policies are usually prorated to the date of the sale, or the buyer may take out his own insurance. It's best to follow local custom.

Offers to buy, earnest money, and escrow

When one of your prospects says he will buy your house, the next move is to get from him a deposit—at least several hundred dollars—and his signature on a written offer to buy. You need this protection, as you will be withdrawing your home from the market, and may lose a sale should he later decide not to buy. The offer to buy is an agreement in which the sale price and other details are listed. In it, the buyer agrees to purchase the house, providing the title is found to be clear.

If a real-estate agent is handling the sale of your house, he will have a standard form for the offer to buy. If you sell your house yourself, you can obtain such a form from your attorney.

The deposit made by the buyer is called earnest money. In many communities, standard procedure calls for the earnest money to be held in escrow by a neutral party, such as an attorney, a lending agency, or, in some states, the broker, until the abstract of title is examined, and found satisfactory. This insures that the buyer will get his money back if the title to your home is not satisfactory.

Financing

Ordinarily, you won't be concerned with the buyer's arrangements for financing his purchase. If you own your house outright, you can do one of two things—finance the sale yourself if you're in a position to do so, or have the buyer make all of his arrangements himself if he can't pay cash.

If you have a mortgage on the house, he can pay you your equity, and assume the mortgage, or finance it anew. If you are buying the house on contract, you'll have to make sure that the contract can be assigned to the new owner, if he won't be paying cash.

If you are in a position to finance the buyer, keep in mind that interest rates have been drifting upward for some time. Learn what the current interest rate is in your community. Another tip: Sometimes it is preferable to enter into a contract of sale rather than to give a deed and take a mortgage from the buyer, especially if the down payment is small.

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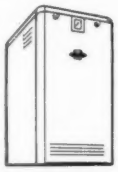

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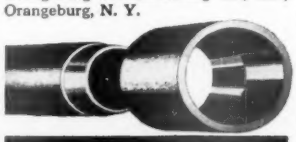

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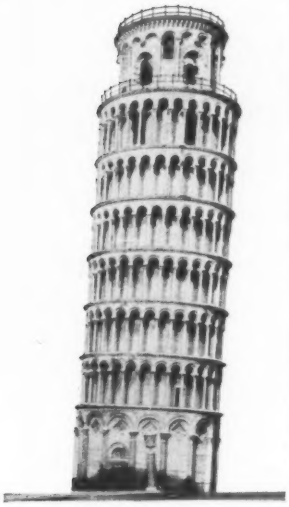

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Cheerful accessories to a cheerful meal are salt and pepper shakers and a butter dish, modeled from an old-fashioned rolling pin. White ceramic is hand-decorated with a blue, red, or yellow flower and green ivy-leaf or plain green ivy-leaf design. The butter dish is 9" long; lid lifts up by the handles; $2.50, ppd. Shakers to match are $1.35 a pair, ppd. Norman's, 416 Mill St., Bristol, Pennsylvania.

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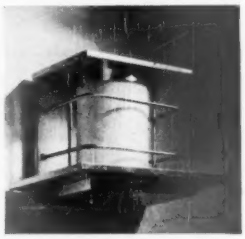

For the contemporary house, here is a porch or hall lantern with clean lines and functional beauty to light the footsteps of guests or family. The frosted-glass globe is based and crowned with bronze while a bronze tubing framework protects the glass from breakage. Unit comes apart easily to replace the bulb. *Single Lantern* shown is 10"x6½"x7" deep; with all necessary wiring; $25, ppd. Carnagey's, 2-B Lyceum Bldg., Tarrytown, New York.

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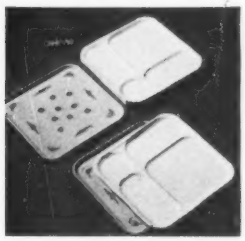
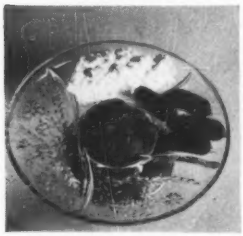


Take picnics in your stride. If you can't avoid 'em, you can avoid eating food all mixed up together, by using sectioned paper plates, 10½" square, backed by colorful tin trays just the right size to hold plates securely. The trays are useful for parties the year around, too. *Serv-A-Dish* set of 12 trays for $4.50; 25 plates, 95c. May be had separately. The Artisan Galleries, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

You need not know a mainsail from a bowsprit to appreciate the charm of an electric clock made in the form of a ship's wheel. Solid-brass spokes harmonize with the swirled-brass face, while a real hemp rope, circling the body of the clock, adds a note of authenticity. Sessions works are housed in solid mahogany, with red finish. *Corvette Clock*, 6" high, $13.95, ppd. including tax. Aldrich & Goebel, Inc., 51 So. Colony St., Meriden, Connecticut.



You can't beat a Lazy Susan for convenience in serving. This one is sectioned to keep food sorted out, with one round center section and four compartments of various sizes around it. The clear-glass tray, trimmed with flower-spray design, swivels on an instantly removable base of satiny aluminum. Tray is 14" across. Lazy Susan Server, $2, ppd. Helzberg's, 1013A McGee St., Kansas City 6, Missouri.

The delicately clean lines and gentle coloring of Chinese prints fit them into almost any room decor. These, showing Chinese folk in a variety of activities, were copied from old Chinese scrolls. Hand-colored on heavy white paper, the set of six *Chinese Prints*, 6½"x8½", is $3.95 per set, ppd.; 9"x12", $6. Creste-Andover Co., 205 E. 85th St., New York 28, New York.

Tiny replicas of Early American furniture are right at home in a lovingly tended dollhouse or a whatnot shelf. Hand-crafted to the scale of 1" to 1', the *Lazy Susan Table* is 3" across with a center section that really turns; $3.75, ppd. The *Trough Table* for magazines or knitting is 1½" high; $2.25, ppd. Either in red, blonde maple, or walnut finish. Pueblo Gift Shop, 2428 University Ave., Madison 5, Wisconsin.

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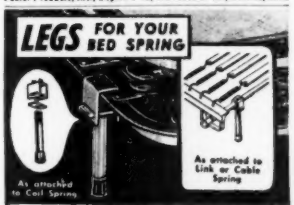

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My neighbor with the basement workshop was suspiciously calm when he discovered Somebody had used his wood chisel for a screwdriver. "I'm saving it," he said with a grin, "until the next time I get apprehended tracking mud into the kitchen."

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Professor Quiz, the radio brain twister, has two million questions in his files. That puts him on a par with any family with a pair of youngsters in the talking stage.

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"The Lord has timed things perfectly," says Jane Swanson. "When our children get so ornery we can't stand 'em, they go off and get married. When the sight of a cleaning closet makes you tired, along comes middle-aged eyesight so you can live happily among the cobwebs."

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Things we never tell our children: Behind that calm parental front, we worry whether Janie will be invited to *that* dance, and whether Junior can *get* a date for it.

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Another nice thing about my favorite brunette: She can spend the day house hunting with a friend through the ritzier suburbs and come back convinced that our place is just about perfect.

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Do you, too, find that the reasonable, persistent men are on your side of the argument, and the obstinate ones always take the other tack?

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Teeth braces don't increase the short-run glamour of 15-year-old girls. But they do discourage young wolves.

Our whole family has been upset for 24 hours. Now everyone looks to me for a ruling. Our youngest daughter acquired her first lipstick.

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If people worked as hard at homemaking as ants do, there wouldn't be any poverty or divorce. On the other hand, I've never seen an ant relax in a hammock under the honeysuckle.

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The small half-sounds you hardly hear that make the cozy warmth of home: Small bare feet at bedtime thumping overhead. . . . The crunch of tires as the gang congregate in the drive with their bikes. . . . The faint rustle as a pigtailer turns in her sleep. . . . The beat of running water in the shower. . . . The small creakings as your mate gets comfortably arranged in bed. . . . The rhythm of a beating spoon against a bowl. . . . The scratch of Blackie's paw on the back door. . . . The rustle of a turned magazine page while you're half dozing in your chair. . . . The scratching of a homework pen. . . . The rush of rain on a window you've just puttied. . . . The gargly bubbling of a percolator. . . . The blessed chuckle of a lad who has found something funny in the comic section.

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When a man tells a store clerk that he will think about it, he means he isn't going to buy. When a woman says it, she means that she is, but that she hopes to find the same thing down the street for a dollar less.

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I'm all for campaigns to have dad spend more time with the children, especially on days when the only alternative is to clean the furnace.

I keep telling my friend, Phillip Brown, who has sons only, that my brother, John, is better off having all daughters. Phillip and his wife are lonesome. Their boys spend most of their time at John's house.

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There are other advantages to having girls. Whenever John tells his daughters what a home-run hitter he was in college, they accept it without a demonstration.

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Neither science nor psychology can explain why women leave the tops off toothpaste tubes. Or why men care so much if they do.

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A happy marriage is one in which husband and wife each has his own bed light, and turns it off at the same time.

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An adolescent is one who spends a stormy hour trying to get away with something and the next hour telling how much she loves you—particularly if you haven't let her get away with it.

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When your daughter says, "Go on and sit down, Daddy; *I'll* set the table". . . . Your youngest gleefully beats you at checkers without detecting that you helped him just a bit. . . . The 7-year-old you're taking for a walk scoots ahead and hides behind a tree as if certain you, too, liked to play. . . . Your wife serves hamburger steak and fried onions, which happens to be your favorite dish, on the day when everything else has gone wrong. . . . The social-studies teacher compliments you on your children's knowledge of current events. . . . You hear the youngsters arguing for the right to put up the flag. . . . The toddler who belongs to somebody else takes your hand and says, "Tell me a story, Man". . . . Then you wouldn't change places with a nabob.

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